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## CLEANER & DYER

## Memorable Occasion

Just last month I had the good fortune to attend the first exhibit show ever held in Canada. I say good fortune for many reasons. First, it was good to renew the friendships enjoyed with many Canadians known for nearly a decade, but not seen for several years.

In addition, it was wonderful to see in action the "one world" or international brotherhood theme upon which I editorialized in August 1959. Many plantowners and allied tradesmen from European countries attended, as well as from Canada and the United States.

We all discovered that we were pretty nice people, regardless of our origin. The need to exchange ideas and viewpoints was brought forcibly home by Ancliffe Prince, editor of the British business paper, Power Laundry and Cleaning News. He pointed out that none of us was there in the role of teacher, but all of us were students. We all needed to find out more about our industry, and each other.

In another part of this issue we point out how he suggested starting a school among the British Dominions to train new people in the techniques of laundering. Almost at once, several Canadians volunteered to start the ball rolling. Not that this was anything special about the Canadians, God bless them. But it pointed up to me how much we all need each other; how we must get together if we are to survive as an industry or as nations,

This magazine was the only one to have a booth at this show, and we had a chance to visit with many overseas visitors, both at the booth and in our hotel rooms. At one point we had a Polish expatriate, two Scandinavians and three British people in our suite, plus several Americans and Canadians.

Today we were all meeting on a common ground, thanks to our industry. I hope they learned half as much from me as I did from them. If we keep up this interchange of ideas among people of all nations, all-out war remains a dim possibility.—Art Schuelke



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## NEW PRODUCTS

## AND LITERATURE

## Large-Plant Unit



A synthetic drycleaning unit for larger cleaning plants, designed with a load capacity of 100-110 pounds, is now being offered by Washex Machinery Corporation. This open-pocket, open-end, reversing-cylinder Syntomat easily produces up to 300 pounds per hour, according to Washex.

The Syntomat P100 is available for single and two-bath cleaning systems. For descriptive brochure CL-50 write Washey Machinery Corporation, 192 Banker St., Brooklyn 22

## **Electric Cabinet Shirt Unit**



An electrically heated cabinet shirt unit, patterned after the Forse Body-Master, has been announced by Forse Corpora-

Named the Body - Master Electric, the unit is said to produce an average of 80 to 100 shirts per hour with two operators. The maker says that figares compiled from Body-

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Master Electric units in operation indicate that the unit compares favorably in heating cost with steam-heated units and in many cases has been more economical.

For information write Forse Corporation, 1500 W. Second St., Anderson, Ind.

### Soft-Cote Water Repellent



A water repellent, said to leave garments soft and pliable, has been developed by Wallerstein Company, Division of Baxter Laboratories, Inc.

Called Soft-Cote, this clear, light amber liquid can be used with either a petroleum or synthetic solvent. It can be applied in a regular dip bath, by the dip-and-dry method, or as a spray. The product contains a built-in neutralizer and, if garments are prerinsed as recommended, dozens of garments may be treated in the same bath for a perfect 100 rating. according to the maker.

For the dip bath, one part of Soft-Cote to five parts of solvent is recommended. One part of Soft-Cote to 10 parts solvent is the mixture advised for the dry-and-dry method. In both, immersion time is five minutes or less. When applied as a spray, one part of Soft-Cote to 10 parts of solvent should be used.

Further information and litcrature may be obtained by writing Wallerstein Company, Mariners Harbor, Staten Island

## Wyandotte Safety Campaian

The December 1 opening of Wyandotte's Winter-Safety

nationwide introduction of a new 11/2-pound sample of Zorb-All, a safety product for prevention of slips, falls and skidding accidents.

As an added feature of the campaign, colorful red and vellow winter accident prevention cards were included with all shipments from Wyandotte's Blue Mountain, Miss., plant on 50-pound bags of Zorb-All. The cards provide suggestions for prevention of slipping accidents in many danger areas. The company particularly recommends Zorb-All for use on ice and snow around office and plant entrances. It is not a chemical product and will not damage shrubs, grass, fabrics, or discolor concrete floors and auto floor pads.

For more information write J. B. Ford Division, Wyandotte Chemicals Corporation, Wyandotte, Mich.

## Detrex Solvent Saver



compact solvent saver unit, Econ-O-Perk, for recovering solvent from the air has been announced by Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc.

According to H. R. Norgren, vice-president, the new unit occupies less floor space and is 20 to 30 percent more efficient. Econ-O-Perk requires no special foundation and is com-pletely automatic. Stripping operation requires a minimum of steam and water and is said to be faster and easier.

The unit is available in two models. Model 30, designed for small to medium size plants, is 38 inches wide, 40 inches deep, and 67 inches high. It has a 5gallon recovery capacity with two floor pickups. Model 60 for larger plants is 76 inches wide, 40 inches deep and 67 inches Campaign was marked by the high. It has a 10-gallon recov-

ery capacity and two floor pickups, which are standard equipment. Both models feature an extra large pellet bed and all parts are easily accessible.

For more information write Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc., P. O. Box 501, Detroit 32, Mich

## Larger MAFS Cooker



Model 24 muck cooker and still, designed to handle filters up to 5,000-gallon capacity, has been announced by MAFS Corporation.

The maker says the new larger unit automatically returns most of the solvent and soap back to the cleaning unit before cooking, saving time, steam, water, solvent and soap costs. Automatic solvent level control is optional and distillation rate can be as high as 70 gallons per hour.

For more information write MAFS Corp., 53-07 Van Dam St., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

## Two New Coin Changers



A coin changer, said to be the first manually operated to change three coins, has been introduced by Standard Change-Makers, Inc. The company also announces the Standard Change Master, a flexible automatic coin changer.

The Standard Multi-Chang-Cantinued on page 10

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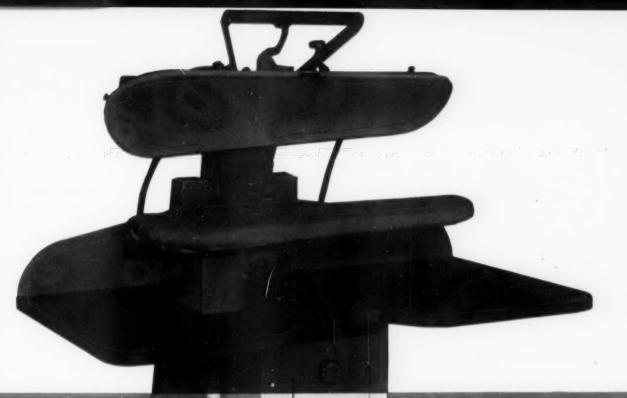
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## **NEW PRODUCTS AND LITERATURE**

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er, illustrated, is designed to Instant Steam Generator handle large capacity, holding up to \$300 in change. It can be equipped with any of 364 different combinations of coins, tokens and change. The unit has an extra heavy-duty steel cabinet with double locking devices for protection against vandalism. The maker adds that it is easy to install, whether on the wall or a stand.

The Multi-Changer is 191/2 inches high, 24% inches wide and 7 inches deep. It is availble in several colors.

The Change Master is three coin changers in one, designed with interchangeable units. It will accommodate up to \$1,100 in change and can be equipped with 56 combinations to change 50-cent, 25-cent, 10-cent and 5-cent coins. The unit is 30 inches high, 30 inches wide and 934 inches deep.

For additional information write Standard Change-Makers, Inc., 422 E. New York St., Indianapolis 2, Ind.

### New Fur-Sheen Package



New packaging for the premixed, ready-to-use fur cleaner. Fur-Sheen, has been announced by Walter Haertel Company.

Four-coat-size bags of Fur-Sheen are now packed in attractive white cartons, six to the carton.

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A compact steam generator, introduced by American Energetics Corporation, provides working pressures within five minutes of starting and requires only simple water and electricity connections with no outside stacking.

Named the Minit Steam, the unit is said to provide odorless steam for use in drycleaning and pressing operations. Other advantages claimed for the steam generator are that it can be located near the point of use, needs less than 3 square feet of floor space, and can be connected in a matter of minutes.

Minit Steam models are available ranging from 1.5 to 6 hp. All operate at maximum pressure of 100 p.s.i. They are built to ASME standards and are listed by Underwriters Laboratories. The vertical-tube boilers are fully insulated, with stainless-steel heating elements.

The smaller unit, 48 inches tall, occupies 20 by 21 inches of floor space. The larger units occupy a floor area 21 by 31 inches and are also 48 inches tall. Condensation return tanks with hot water pumps are available with all units at extra cost.

For additional information write American Energetics Corporation. Ninth and Michigan N. E., Washington 17, Ave., D. C.

### Water Heater Catalog

An informative catalog on the WH series of Portmar water heaters is being offered by Portmar Water Heater Company, Inc.

Illustrated with photographs,

diagrams and charts, the literature gives specifications of the line of heaters which range from 300 g.p.h. capacity to 6,000 g.p.h., 100° rise, in 14

The brochure points out that the heaters are available in oilor gas-fired models and lists the advantages of the indirect hot water system.

For a copy of the brochure write Portmar Water Heater Company, Inc., Division of Portmar Boiler Company, Inc., 193 Seventh St., Brooklyn 15,

## Water Repellent Promotion

New promotional aids to help drycleaners merchandise Buckeye Rain-Dry Water Repellent are now available, it was announced by Morry Friedlander, sales manager of the Dry Cleaning Division, Davies - Young Soap Company.

The new sales aids include colorful buttonhole tags, window streamers, containers and fluorescent signs. The key words in the campaign are 'protect your family's health" and are used as a slogan on the banners, signs and tags.

## Ply-O-Fab Booklet



An informative instruction booklet, describing the effects of Ply-O-Fab fabric conditioning concentrate on brittle leatherlike garments, is now available from Dixo Co.

The booklet states that any leatherlike garment that has stiffened as a result of drycleaning can regain its pliability through the use of Ply-O-Fab. The literature adds that cleaners can now process these garments in a normal manner followed with a Ply-O-Fab bath which will restore lost pliabil-

ity. The product is said to be safe on fabrics and colors. It is available in 1-gallon and 1quart containers.

For a copy of the booklet write Dixo Company, 158 Central Ave., Rochelle Park, N. J.

## **Drier Temperature Control**



Cissell 50- and 20-pound gasfired driers are now equipped with a new Hi-Lo Temperature Control, it has been announced by W. M. Cissell Manufacturing Co., Inc.

Located on the front panel of the drier immediately to the left of the coin meter, the control permits the customer to select the proper fabric temperature at the turn of a dial. High or low heat and intermediate stages for synthetics, wash-andwear and delicate materials can be obtained with the control. The Hi-Lo is adjustable and is furnished as standard equipment on driers for coin-meter operation and on driers with time and temperature control.

For complete information write W. M. Cissell Manufacturing Co., Inc., P. O. Box 1143, Louisville 1, Ky.

## Air Compressor Bulletin

A 12-page four-color bulletin, illustrated with photographs and cutaways of singleand two-stage air compressors, is being offered by Le Roi Division, Westinghouse Air Brake Company.

The compressors described in the booklet range in size from 1/2 to 15 hp, and available pressures are from 80 to 250 p.s.i. Specifications list c.f.m. displacements, pressures. weights, dimensions and r.p.m. of the various models and sizes. A section of the bulletin is devoted to air receiver and auxiliary storage tank specifications and dimensions.

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Motivational research recently conducted by the National Institute of Drycleaning brought to light that customers want to feel that their drycleaner is an expert. The ad recently run by Grondin's Certified Cleaners of Waterville, Maine, certainly helped establish that opinion in the minds of its customers and prospects.

This firm's Emile J. Roy entered the famous spotting quiz run by NaTIONAL CLEANER & DYER late last year. As one of our winners he received the certificate of honor awarded. While the firm takes advantage of the prestige the scroll offers by hanging it in the call office of the main plant, it went a giant step beyond that. The above half-page ad in the local paper helped to let the whole city know that Grondin's is a progressive, expert firm.

## Kids' Pix Ring Bell With Personalized Angle



A new twist on an old advertising idea has boosted sales at Blue Bell Cleaners & Laundry at Union City, Tennessee. Each newspaper ad includes a picture of a baby with a clever, humorous caption of what the child might be saying. And of course it ties in with the sales message.

What makes these ads particularly effective is due to the creative thinking of Mrs. Betty Cardwell of Blue Bell. The babies' pictures are not just stock shots. Each one is sent in by a customer or local reader of the newspaper. In most cases the fond parent or grandparent is given a credit line for the photo.

Betty says, "Working with a limited advertising budget, I try to obtain the most for our advertising dollar. Our slogan is 'Personalized Care For Everything You Wear,' so I try to inject a personalized note in our advertising. The photos of local babies create interest in the ads and

assure us of many steady readers."

And the humorous captions help, too! The ads are run on a weekly basis and are of uniform size, 2 columns wide by 5 inches long.

In spite of Betty's modest comment about a limited ad budget, the firm also uses the radio extensively as an ad medium. Daily spots are pretaped by Betty. Then, two mornings a week the firm sponsors a "live" show with Betty as mistress of ceremonies. These programs feature recorded music, household tips and news of interest to the ladies. In addition, local guests are featured. These include local club presidents, chairmen of city and club projects, health officials and "beauty queens." As in the case of the newspaper ads, the programs on radio also have the personal touch that Betty uses so effectively.

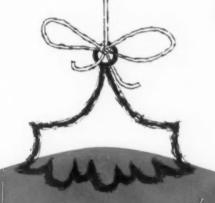
## Giveaway for Sports Fans



As a goodwill gesture during the fall months, plantowner Ray Stone, Peoria Cleaners, Peoria, Illinois, makes it a practice to distribute free pencils imprinted with the football and basketball schedules of the local high schools. The name of the plant is also included on the pencils.

According to Mr. Stone, many customers stop in the call office asking for these handy schedules of local athletic activities.

Mr. Stone also inserts one of these pencils in the handkerchief pocket of finished suits before delivery to his male customers. This gets some additional publicity for the plant among his regular clientele.



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## SIGNS of the TIMES

Peggy Dwyier Elected: W. Bruce MacIntosh, president of the Bureau of Laundry and Dry Cleaning Standards since its inception in 1954, will now act as chairman of the board. The-presidency will be filled by Peggy Dwyier, formerly vice-president of the Bureau.

Mrs. Dwyier's new duties will be mainly in the field of public relations to help consumers better understand Bureau activities and show how Bureau members work to make their services more acceptable. Textile Society Expands: A greatly expanded technical program and op-

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expanded technical program and operation of regional chapters have been provided for in the new constitution and by-laws of the American Association for Textile Technology. The AATT board, of which NID trade relations director Albert E. Johnson is a member, approved the new constitution and by-laws at a special meeting on October 14. Mr. Johnson was chairman of a special committee which drew up the legislation.

The move was described as a further step to strengthen drycleaners' relations with the textile industry. The new Technical Council will include a representative of the "end use" industries so that matters of consumer in-



PEGGY DWYIER



VIAN B. SILLIMAN

Vian B. Silliman, who has been director of the Bureau in charge of the product audits and reports to members, will continue in this work under his new title of executive vice-president. Mr. Silliman joined the Bureau in 1956 after 22 years experience in various phases of laundry operation and management. He also had eight



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Public Service: Victory Cleaners and Dyers was among the 54 business houses of Frederick, Md., to receive an award of merit in the recent Community Chest-Red Cross United Appeal. The awards indicated the winners had reached or exceeded the goal in the fund campaign.

In Dayton, Ohio, Fox Cleaners was one of four firms eligible for the "outstanding citizenship award" given by the Community Chest in the same

fund-raising drive.

George Friesen, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada, a driver for Spotless Dry Cleaning, was recently named the week's Most Courteous Driver by the Cosmopolitan Club. Mr. Friesen received the tribute for helping free another car from the deep mud in which it was stuck.

Herb Fitzgerald, head of a cleaning supply firm in Milwaukee, Wis., was awarded the 1959 Service Award of the Milwaukee Dry Cleaners Guild. Mr. Fitzgerald received the award at a testimonial dinner attended by about 300 people in the industry.

Mrs. Delia Rosenthal, owner of Empire Launderers and Cleaners, Burlington, Vt., was recently named outstanding business woman of the year by the Burlington Business and Professional Women's Club.

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Deferred Compensation: A new bulletin, No. 107, has been issued by the Small Business Administration, Washington, D. C., titled "Using Deferred Compensation in Small Business." The bulletin states that deferred compensation is a practical approach to paying executives in small companies. The management aid explains deferred compensation in specific terms and suggests practical steps in getting such a plan started. Free copies of Bulletin No. 107 are available from the Small Business Administration, Washington 25, D. C., or its field offices.

# 1

Aiming for Business: A Ravenna (Ohio) drycleaning firm, out for more business, posted a sign in the county sheriff's office offering special prices for cleaning trousers and jackets and putting military creases in shirts. At the bottom of the list was the notation: "Minor repairs—small bullet holes—no cost."

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On the Right Track: Who says you can't make money working in a cleaning plant? James T. Vaughn, a drycleaning employee of Imperial Beach, Calif., recently made more than \$60,000 on a 30,000-to-1 shot at the races in Agua Caliente, Mexico. Mr. Vaughn, a father of seven, bought a \$2 ticket on the 5-10 handicapping contest and left the track. After returning home he learned that he had picked all six winners in the six consecutive races. He retraced his steps to the track and collected \$60,355.80 on his \$2 investment.

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Christmas Spirits: The National Safety Council is again emphasizing its annual warning against combining the office Christmas party and driving. The Council explained it is not trying to dampen the traditional Christmas spirit, but it is trying to eliminate a definite source of highway accidents which annually ruin the Christmas season for drivers and their families. "The most dangerous drink ever concocted," the Council warns, "is the one for the road."



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## LEGAL DECISIONS

By A. L. H. STREET

## **Driver-Agent Not Employee**

Can a drycleaner bring an embezzlement charge against an independent routeman who acts as his agent?

The North Carolina Supreme Court ruled in the negative, reversing the decision handed down by a lower court in the case of MacGray v. Bennett, 110 S. E. 2d 324. In that case the routeman had had an arrangement with the drycleaner under which the driver built up laundry and drycleaning patronage on a route he developed himself. The contract entitled him to retain 25 percent of what patrons were charged for laundry and 40 percent of drycleaning charges. He was indebted to the cleaner on this basis whether or not be collected. As a result of conditions for which he was not to blame, the routeman became indebted to the cleaner and returned to his home in another state. The cleaner filed a criminal charge of embezzlement against him and the routeman returned to North Carolina to stand trial, although the governor of his home state refused to extradite him.

The routeman was acquitted of the charge and in turn sued the cleaner for damages, claiming that the prosecution was unjustified and malicious. The judge in the suit ordered the case dismissed but the Supreme Court reversed the decision.

The Supreme Court said that even if it were assumed that the contract between the parties created an employer-employee relationship, there was no proof that the routeman had embezzled funds belonging to the cleaner. But in this case no employment relationship existed. Instead, the relationship was merely that of debtor and creditor, similar to that existing between any retailer and wholesaler.



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## Who Owns Child's Clothing

Do parents maintain legal ownership of clothing they give their children?

In a suit by a father to collect for damages to the clothing of his 9-year-old son, the United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, ruled that "a boy of 9 may own the marbles he buys with his allowance, but clothing furnished a child by his father under a parent's duty to support his children remains the property of the father. Any member of a large family can testify that this is a working rule of no small practical convenience as well as a principle of law."

The court stated it is the parent, not the child, who has a cause of action against a third person who causes the loss or destruction of the clothing (Payne v. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co., 266 Fed. 2d 63)

The case in point grew out of an auto accident. However, this decision would seem to mean that a claim against a cleaner for loss of or damage to a minor's garments would be governed by the same rule of law.

Similar decisions have been reached by the appellate courts of Illinois, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kansas, Michigan and New York. In the Tennessee case a mother, as head of the household, was entitled to sue a railroad company for the fire loss of a wardrobe she had given to her minor daughter as a trousseau since the daughter was still a member of the household.



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An extra pulley installed on the fan that pulls air through the tumblers has increased the air intake from 1,100 to 1,400 cubic feet per minute at David Weber, Chicago.

This reduces the drying time of the tumblers by some 25 percent, according to plant manager Oscar Howard.

## **Heat Exhaust**



Orville Crossley at Jacobs Cleaners, Rock Island, Illinois, constructed a metal hood over his steam-air finishing machines to cut down on the heat during the summer months. An exhaust fan on the roof of the plant blows out the hot air and keeps the area about 20 degrees cooler.

With no cross-ventilation, this department was practically unbearable for the operators until this unit was installed.

## **Shirt-Press Protection**

Metal rods installed along the floor protect new shirt finishing equipment recently installed at Allen Cleaners, Akron, Ohio.

The metal tubing stapled to the floor permits operators to roll carts up close to the unit without scratching the paint job on the cabinet sleevers. The rods are fixed about 6 inches from the presses to avoid contact.

## Separate Phone Hanger



Coat hanger wire was used to make a telephone receiver cradle at Tully Andrews Cleaners in Montgomery, Alabama. The cradle is a loop with the stem screwed to the wooden backboard of the wall-mounted phone. The loop is bent in the middle so the earpiece of the receiver can hook into it.

This cradle is to hold the receiver while the person on the line is waiting for someone to be paged or for some information to be obtained. It prevents the receiver from being laid where it can be knocked on the floor. It saves the listener from ear shock due to noise created in the phone by laying the receiver down hard.

Also, since the receiver hangs beside the instrument when in the cradle, the fact that someone is still waiting is more apparent to others in the room.

### Pins at Hand



A portable pin tray saves steps for the operators in the bagging department at Peoria Cleaners, Peoria, Illinois. A metal bar was soldered to an empty coffee can. The end of the bar is curved and can be hung over the slickrail at any location in the department

Operators find that they don't drop as many pins on the floor and the supply is at their fingertips whenever they need them.

## **Neat Arrangement**



A handy cabinet for spotting supplies was built by spotter Bay Kuratomi of Crenshaw Village Cleaners in Los Angeles, California. The cabinet is 11 inches high and 30 inches long. It is made of half-inch boards and boasts a pair of sliding pegboard doors on the front. Four nails hold it securely to the plaster walls, in a handy position for Ray.

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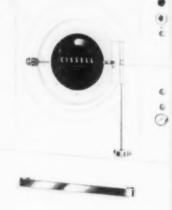
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## EDITORIAL

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## New Trend?

Perhaps the most cussed and discussed item in the industry today is the advent of the coin-operated drycleaning machine. A few pilot models are already installed in coin-operated laundries in various parts of the country.

Several manufacturers are working feverishly to develop units. There is little information available, because these manufacturers are very hush hush about their particular machines. Meanwhile controversy rages everywhere. Some industry leaders foresee the doom of the drycleaning plant as we know it today; others feel this new development will expand the industry.

We want to look a little deeper into the matter before making a decision. First of all, drycleaning is a craft, as opposed to laundering, which requires little or no skill. The unlearned housewife is likely to get a nose full of solvent unless the machines are foolproof.

Toxicity problems are very real, particularly when such a machine is in the hands of someone unfamiliar with its operation.

There is always the chance, too, that the wife of a mechanic or service station operator will toss in a load of garments heavily laden with grease which will send filter pressure sky-high, reducing cleaning efficiency on subsequent loads.

Then there is the problem of keeping solvent in good condition. Additions of filter powder and activated carbons plus distillation will require owner control.

In an editorial back in December 1955 we referred to bulletin 484-B issued by the American Institute of Laundering. It reported that when synthetic solvent fumes contact gas-fired tumbler fumes, the perc decomposes, forming phosgene gas which acts like hydrochloric acid. This decomposes garments in the tumbler.

Of course, maybe they plan to use some other newly developed solvent. (Such a rumor is afoot.) But in any case, the actual drycleaning is only part of the story. Spotting and finishing still require special skills.

As we see it, at best coin-op drycleaning will create a new market for cleaning work clothes and the like that don't come into the plant even now. It seems to parallel the coin-op laundry which hasn't adversely affected the power laundry, but brought more work out of the home.

It's possible all problems and objections will be overcome. If that happens, we want to make sure that any development of this business belongs to the professional drycleaning industry; not Johnny-come-lately investors from outside our group.

We shall watch this . . . and keep you posted.

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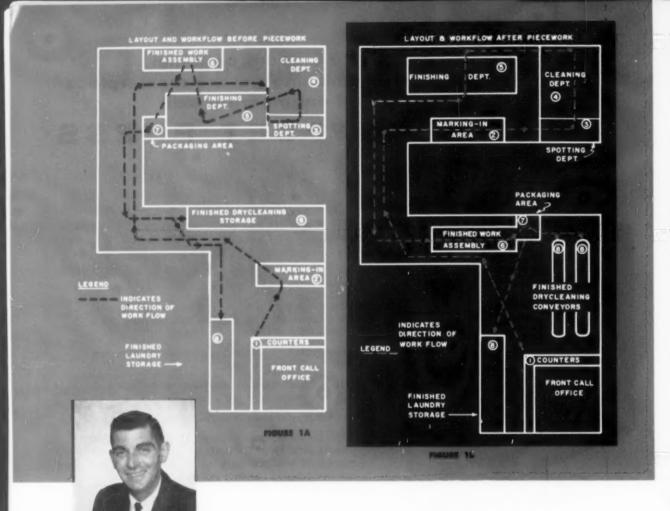
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Last year our sister publication, STARCHROOM LAUNDRY JOURNAL, ran a \$10,000 contest titled the "Parade of Progress." The purpose behind it was to bring to light outstanding efforts by laundryowners to increase sales or productivity.

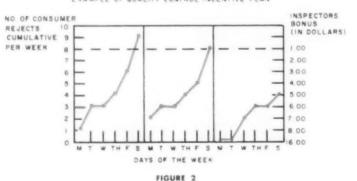
One of the award-winning entries came from Power Cleaner, Inc., of Falls Church, Virginia, and dealt with the accomplishments of its drycleaning department. Since this report is especially significant to drycleaners, we are bringing it to readers of NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER, as it was submitted by Barnett DuBois.

Mr. DuBois received his B.S. in economics in 1957 from the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce of the University of Pennsylvania, where his major area of study was industrial management and relations. Since then he has been associated with his father in the operation of package drive-in plants in the Washington, D. C., area. One of his prime goals has been and continues to be the application of modern big business techniques to a relatively small operation as found in the drycleaning industry.

## How Our Plant Improved Production

By BARNETT DUBOIS

EXAMPLE OF QUALITY CONTROL INCENTIVE PLAN



## **Production Objective**

Piecework incentive plans have been used in the drycleaning and laundry industries for years as a method of increasing production. The effective utilization of this type of incentive plan in a small package plant was the production objective of Power Cleaner, Inc., Falls Church, Virginia. Could a piecework wage plan accomplish, for a relatively small plant, what is accomplished for a large one, i.e., increased production, lower unit of product cost, increased volume capacity, higher employee take-home pay and, most important, greater profits?

## Planning Stage

In order to better understand some of the problems ahead, Power management began by simply defining straight piecework. Straight piecework is that form of wage which has all standards expressed in terms of money, thus bringing reward to the operator in direct proportion to his output. A thorough grasp of the piecework concept, in general, was accomplished before some of the more specific problem areas were studied.

### Administrative problems involved

Generally, Power Cleaner had to plan in terms of the employer, emplovee and consumer. Establishing a fair piece rate that would stimulate the worker to produce more was the employer's greatest concern. This stimulation would result in increased plant capacity and lower unit of product cost. The employer's main obligation in return was to attain higher volumes which would give operators a large enough work load so that they could see sizable pay envelopes. Plans also had to be made to help the worker gain time in his individual production activity. Each operator had to be given the opportunity of working with the least possible amount of lost motion. A more efficient operational layout and a smoother workflow were the apparent solution.

The consumer could be affected by a piecework wage plan, also. It was necessary for Power management to answer such questions as:

(a) Should savings be passed on to the consumer?

(b) Will increased volume produce low quality work?

(c) Will our old customers suffer at the expense of new ones?

The customers' possible reactions to the innovations brought out through piecework demanded serious consideration.

## The problem of quality control

Quality production in the drycleaning industry is a dynamic, everpresent area for managerial discussion, decision making and control. It is of utmost importance since quality is almost synonymous with the services offered. With the inception of a piecework wage plan, quality control becomes even more difficult. First, there is the necessity for a high degree of quality in the face of an increased production demand. Second, although high quality standards are desired, the cost of maintaining a rigid quality control system cannot be excessive. These two concepts we found to be in direct conflict.

Power Cleaner felt that any quality control system had to accomplish certain specific objectives. These were:

(a) To formulate standards of quality readily acceptable to everyone concerned.

(b) To take the necessary action in order to keep production from falling below the desired quality standards.

(c) To attain emphasis on accuracy rather than speed in the inspection process.

(d) To place the responsibility of precise, quality workmanship directly on the worker.

(e) To remove the possibility of finished items which are considered below standard quality reaching the customer.

The problem confronting us at Power was how to bring all of these objectives together, so that one relatively simple quality control system could emerge. We decided to try quality control on an incentive basis.

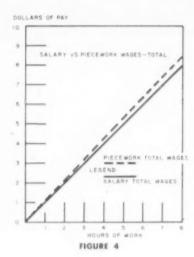
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## PRODUCTION COMPARISON CHART = $\tilde{h}_0$ . 3

Number of

Operation .	pieces produced under straight salary wage (per hour per	Number of pieces produced under piecework wage (per hour per
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Wool finishing (pressi	ng1	
Trousers	- 21	25.2
Suit coats	15.5	18.6
Overcoats and topcoa	15. 13.2	15.8
Shirts (drycleaned)	16.9	20.3
Ladies' jackets		26.4
Skirts under 9 pleats		27.8
Skirts over 8 pleats	14.8	17.8
Sweaters		36
Children's wear		38.4
Hats and caps		68.4
Household operations (pressing)		
Tablecloths, lace		
Blankets		
	2.5	42
Scarfs	35	42
Spreads, chenille		
Cushion covers * Rugs		
Curtains		
Drapes	23.6	28.3
Spreads		
Chair covers		
Curtains or drapes,	8.7	10.4
ruffled	0.7	10.4
Valances		
Davenport covers	. 7.3	8.8
Machine finishing ope	era-	
tions (pressing)		
Blouses	15.4	18.5
Robes, plain		15.2
Scarfs		44.4
Ties		77.2
Belfs		111.2
Linings	25	30
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Note: Although the figures compiled here are for drycleaning operations, it was found that similar increases were prevulent in bondey finishing as



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## **How It Was Done**

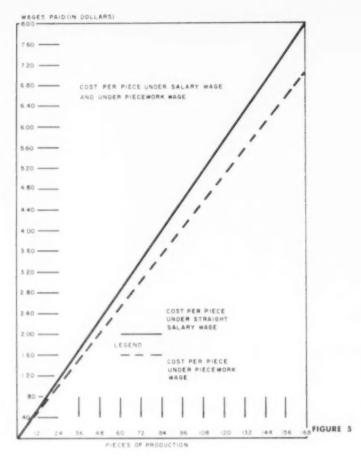
### Administrative areas

To establish a fair piece rate, Power management primarily considered comparable piecework rates existing in the geographical area concerned. It was found that the going rate was about 10 percent of the sales price per piece of production. This 10 percent figure was adopted since, through time studies, it was found that a worker producing at an average rate of speed could increase his take-home pay by 5-percent over the straight salary method of payment. It was obvious that those operators producing at a rate above average would be compensated even more.

Power Cleaner was now faced with the problem of attaining more volume to complement this new wage program. Management decided upon a vigorous, steady promotional campaign. Since Power's consumer market was only 3 percent of the total area population, the cost of newspaper advertising was not justifiable. The possibility of radio for advertising purposes was eliminated for the same reason. In other words, it was felt that it would be much too costly to waste advertising funds on 97 percent of the population in order to reach 3 percent.

We decided that direct-mail advertising would bring the best results. A policy was adopted involving either premium giveaways or price cuts, advertised by direct mail, three to four times a year.

To accomplish a smoother workflow and a more efficient operational layout, it was necessary to analyze



each job in relation to all other jobs in the production process. Because of space limitations and an odd building structure, we were faced with a momentous challenge. The inefficiencies existing in the old setup were obvious; how to counteract them was questionable.

The first step in reconverting was to change from finished drycleaning storage racks to conveyors. This made it possible to use the vacated space for finished work assembly. The marking operation was moved to the plant section so that the possibility of bottlenecks arising would be held to a minimum. A smoother workflow seemed assured. (See Figs. 1A and 1B.) The workers involved would be able to increase production by decreasing lost time.

### Quality

In order to sustain a high degree of quality control. Power management started to analyze and record consumer complaints and rejections. It was found that an average of eight customers per week complained justly that their orders were not satisfactory. This led to the establishment of a workable incentive-type quality control plan. The inspection department was charged with the responsibility of keeping over-the-counter consumer rejections at a point of eight or less per week. If rejections for a given week reach eight, the inspector receives a bonus of one dollar. For each rejection under eight the inspector receives another dollar. If rejections are zero, the inspector gets a \$16 bonus for the week. (See Fig. 2.)

Thus, the incentive factor forms the foundation of the plan. Shoddy work can be pinpointed because each worker is assigned a separate colored ring which is placed on his work and accompanies it to the inspector.

Too many do-overs resulting from inspection could decrease production. We have stipulated, in order to counteract this force, that inspection rejections numbering over 10 in any one lot must immediately be justified to the



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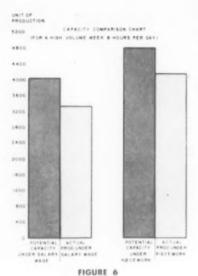
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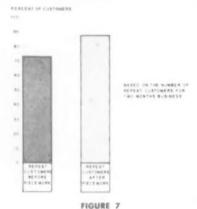
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plant manager. This prohibits abuses to the piecework employees without letting them have the chance, on the other hand, of "railroading" shoddy work through to the customer.

## Specific Results

## Production

After the establishment of the piecework wage program, Power Cleaner had' an average increase in production of 20 percent per operator. The production comparison chart (Fig. 3) will serve to show, according to individual operators, the increase which has come about through the incentive plan. This chart indicates the differences in production output recorded for various articles handled. There is an increase of significant importance in every operation.

The main reason for this over-all

increase in production is that each operator individually benefits from the more efficient operational layout and the smoother workflow. Even working at the same speed as under straight salary, each operator must increase his individual production. Naturally, piecework will accomplish its purpose by inspiring operators to work at a rate far greater than that which is found under a straight-salary method of payment. Each operator could for this reason consistently produce at a rate far above that which is accepted as standard, even though mere standard performance under piecework will bring greater reward than top performance under straight salary.

### Costs

To best analyze the cost savings which have accrued under this piecework wage plan, two wage comparison charts have been constructed. The first chart (Fig. 4) indicates the difference in total wages paid under both the piece-rate system and the straightsalary system. It will be noted that for eight hours of work, the labor cost for producing 168 units of production on a salary basis is \$8. This follows the assumption that \$1 an hour was paid to these workers and that, according to the production comparison chart, 21 pieces an hour are produced. (For simplicity's sake, trousers will be used as the measured unit of production.) In the same eight hours of working time, the piecework employees earn \$8.40. However, they produce 25 pieces an hour, or 200 pieces for the full eight hours. It is obvious that the total cost for eight hours of work, for quantity of labor alone, is greater under a piecework plan than under straight salary.

The second chart (Fig. 5) shows the difference in labor costs per piece under the two different wage plans. Under straight salary the cost per unit of production for labor is 4.762 cents per piece. Under the piecework plan, the cost per unit of production for labor is 4.175 cents per piece.

The total over-all cost of each unit of production diminishes when dealing with piecework while the cost per unit under a straight salary remains relatively constant. Here, then, is the saving, for it will be noted that under piecework, production of 168 pieces cost \$7.05 while under straight salary the production of 168 pieces cost \$8. It will also be noted that this production of 168 pieces in the latter case necessitates a full eight-hour cycle, while the 168 pieces in the former instance is 32 pieces less than that

which can be produced in eight hours.

It is beneficial, at this point, to sum up the cost areas which, after being handled properly, led Power Cleaner to great savings under the piecework plan. First, under piecework, there came about an increased rate of production. Second, lower over-all unit costs were found. Third, increased over-all employee earnings were shown. A fourth result, which is a direct result of a piecework plan, is the reduction in supervision costs. This saving is due not only to employee self-motivation, but also to the improvement of methods and procedures to coincide with the wage plan. It is the interaction of the plant's physical improvements with the individual's self-motivation that results in increased employee earnings and decreased production costs.

The total reduction in production costs for Power Cleaner, coming as a direct result of the piecework wage plan, has already reached the 12 percent mark. This we consider quite good since the plant has not been operating under piecework for too long a time.

## Total volume

Under the piecework wage payment plan, total volume at Power Cleaner has increased due to the plant being able to handle more production. This is possible because of the increased capacity that has resulted from the increased rate of production. It was shown previously that 32 more units of production per operator can be produced in a full working day. This means that in six days of production, 192 units more per operator can be handled.

A reference to the capacity comparison chart (Fig. 6) will reveal that potential capacity and actual production have increased for an eight-hour day since the initiation of the piecework plan. The increase in volume has been due mainly to management's effort to gain more business. Still, it will be noticed that the plant does not operate at full capacity. It is our goal through advertising, merchandising and goodwill to accomplish an actual weekly volume which will approach potential capacity.

The actual production and potential capacity figures pictured on the capacity comparison chart are applicable only to a 48-hour week. If the plant were to stay in operation for more than eight hours per day, the potential capacity as well as actual production would increase accordingly.

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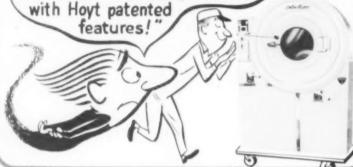
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THE DRYCLEANER with an interest in the finished shirt business finds he has to pay attention to the water he is receiving, whether it is city water or from deep wells. The water may look good enough to drink but when you ge teating it up for washwheel service or carrying it on to steam for different plant uses, you find this innocent-appearing material is full of possible troubles.

#### General

The usual water you receive from the city mains, for example, is not especially soft nor is it free of many items which can contaminate your plant piping system. A water heavy with dissolved iron, for example, is likely to cause troubles in the initial softening stage. Dissolved oxygen will

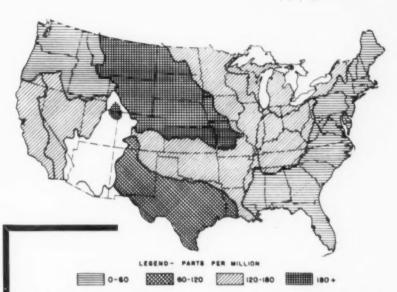


Fig. 1. Map showing average hardness of surface water weighted against population served in major drainage areas

#### TABLE I—Characteristics of Cation Exchange Materials

Type of Material	Capacity gr. per cu. ft.	Regenerant lb_/kym_	Operating pH	Range Temp °F.
Silicious Base				
Processed Greensand	2,500-3,000	0.35-0.50	6.0-8.4	135 Max.
High-Capacity Greensand	5,000-5,500	0.35-0.50	6.5-8.1	110 Max.
Synthetic Gel	7,500-10,000	0.33-0.50	6.8-8.2	100 Max.
Organic				
Sulfonated Coal	6,000-7,000	0.45	5.0-10.0	135 Max.
Polystyrene Resin	20,000-30,000	0.25-0.50	5.0-11.0	250 Max.
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#### TABLE II-Flow Rates in Gallons Per Sq. Ft. Per Minute

	Rack wash Rate	Regen	Rinse	Oper. Rate
Silicious Base				
Processed Greensand	9	2.5	5	5
High-Capacity Greensand	9	2.5	5	5
Synthetic Gel	4-6	2.5	5	5
Organic				
Sulfonated Coal	- 6	1.5-3.0	2.5-6	6
Polystyrene Resin	. 6	2.5	2.5-7	7

slip through the softener and not begin to plague you until you find it when you turn the water into steam or try to bring the oxygen back in the condensate water where the oxygen teams up with carbon dioxide to form a serious corrosion force.

A water possesses other qualities

that are a combination of things such as being too much like an acid or too alkaline. Everyone instinctively can see a number of dangers that a water too acid in nature could do to an operating plant; yet a water that is too alkaline can give as many troubles and then some. For example, the average

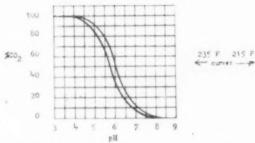


Fig. 2. Percentage CO: remaining in solution with rising pH

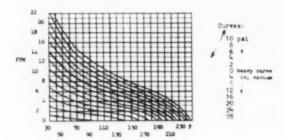


Fig. 3. Oxygen solubility with increasing temperature and pressure

#### TABLE III. Summer Temperatures of Municipal Water Supplies for Various Cities Using Wells as a Source

Location	Temperature at main nutlet, *F				
	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	
Albuquerque, N. M.	72.0	72.0	72.0	72,0	
Aurora, III.	60,0	60.0	60.0	60.0	
Comden, N. J.	58.0	58.0	58.0	58.0	
El Paso, Tex.	84.0	85.0	85.0	84.0	
Fresno, Calif.	72.0	72.0	72.0	72.0	
Houston, Tex.	84.0	84.0	84.0	84.0	
Jacksonville, Fla.	84.8	86.3	86.7	82.4	
Kalamazoo, Mich.	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	
Lafayette, Ind.	53.0	53.0	53.0	53.0	
Lansing, Mich.	57.5	58.0	59.0	59.0	
Lincoln, Neb.	58.0	59.0	59.0	59.0	
Lowell, Mass	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	
Madison, Wis.	53.0	52.0	52.0	53.0	
Marion, Ind.	54.0	54.0	55.0	55.0	
Montgomery, Ala.	70.0	70.0	71.0	71.0	
Pensacola, Fla.	70.0	70.0	70.0	70,0	
Peoria, III.	56.0	56.0	56.0	54.0	
Pontiac, Mich.	55.0	55.0	55.0	55.0	
San Antonio, Tex.	76.0	76.0	76.0	76.0	
Sioux Falls, S. D.	55.0	55.0	55.0	55.0	

\*Data taken from Surface Water and City Water Temperatures During the Summer, published in Heating and Ventilating, January, 1939, and U. S. Department of Commerce publication, Effect of City Water and Sewerage Facilities on Industrial Markets, April, 1938.



Fig. 4. Pit hale with rust dome and active magnetic iron core

laundryman will tell you immediately that too alkaline a water used in cooking starch will give you a finished fabric that tends to burn brown when you iron it.

Let's look, then, at the crucial points in the travels of water through a drycleaning plant.

#### Softening

Since most drycleaning plants use city water, our discussion will concentrate on such waters. Large cities usually draw upon reservoirs for their water needs, and the reservoirs are filled by rivers and rain. Fig. 1 shows a map of the United States and indicates how the water can vary from one section of the country to another in just hardness, let alone the other materials of interest.

Hardness, as you undoubtedly realize, has almost everything to do with how much or how strong a soap or detergent solution you must use in your washing operations, or how effective your rinse cycle will be in removal of left-over soap or garment dirt. For this reason you want to pass incoming raw water from the city mains through a softener. This softener for the average drycleaning plant uses either a natural zeolite or a newer synthetic ion-exchange resin for the actual softening job. These materials remove the hardness-making items in the water and leave in their place harmless chemicals. Every so often you have to backwash the softener tanks, or, if you are under contract with a water softening outfit, it will backwash periodically to restore the strength of the

Tables I and II list the common types of exchange materials used in zeolite softeners together with their exchange capacity and other operating characteristics. Briefly, the various columns in the tables mean this;

Table I, Column I—for every cubic foot of ion-exchange material you put into a softener tank you can remove in the case of greensand 2,500 to 3,000 grains of hardness. Once you have removed or softened the quantity of water these capacity figures would represent, you would have to recharge or regenerate the working material. Again in the case of greensand, Table I, Column 2 indicates you would have to purify through the bed 0.35 to 0.5 pounds of regenerant (salt in this case) to every 1,000 grains of hardness you had removed.

Referring to Table II, Column I—you could not pump back a flushing-out water at a rate faster than 9 gallons per square foot of surface of your tank for fear that you would bounce apart the zeolite particles and form gullies or short-cuts through the material. Similarly (Table II, Column 2), the greensand could not recharge itself or drink in the regenerating salt at a rate faster than 2.5 gallons per square foot of surface. Rinse rate and operating rate (Columns 3 and 4 of Table II) set the allowable flow rates for these operations.

Going back to Table I, Columns 3 and 4 set certain requirements on the water entering the softener. If the water has a pH between 6.0 and 8.4 and its temperature runs below 135° F, the greensand will be able to soften it. Table III shows that most city waters reach your plant at a temperature that meets the requirements in Table I.

If you are interested in cost, a second look at Table I should prove interesting. Note that greater exchange capacities can be had with the polystyrene resins at a lower salt consumption than with the greensands. More-



over, these polystyrene resins can tolerate a wider variation in pH and temperature. The higher softening rates you get with these materials give you, in effect, a greater capacity for the same sized equipment. There are cases reported of as much as a 40 percent increase in softening rate and a tenfold increase in softener capacity by such a switch. The savings in both salt and regenerating labor could pay for the replacement.

#### Corrosion

A water that has been softened by zeolites or ion-exchange resins, which is the usual case for a drycleaning plant, has lost almost all of its hardness or scale-making ability. This is excellent for boiler service since the addition of treating chemicals such as phosphate will raise the pH enough to make this an ideal steamer. But if it remains a water and is heated only, this can be a corrosive liquid.

If you take this water to a receiving tank or store it in a closed heater or heat exchanger, a sudden swing in temperature will free much of the dissolved oxygen and carbon dioxide gases to go to work as corrosive agents (Figs. 2, 3).

Package boilers frequently come with a receiver tank. This tank, because of the corrosive effects shown in Figs. 2 and 3, should be made to work as an open heater. It must first be adequately vented. Then put in a perforated pipe extending over the bottom of the tank through which steam can be jetted into the water to hold up the water temperature. All such water should be held at a temperature above 200° F.

Corrosion is found to be at its worst in systems where the condensate is returned directly to the boiler. Here there is no chance to free the returns of their redissolved gases. To them are added still more oxygen and carbon dioxide coming in with the fresh makeup water entering the boiler. As a result the gases cycle around the system in increasing strength, bringing serious consequences to the piping and the boiler itself.

The telltale marks of corrosion from oxygen are usually red markings. A small red ring with a black center speck shows the markings of a pinhole. A rust nodule invariably covers this pinhole (Fig. 4). Carbon dioxide. on the other hand, acts in water more like an acid than a gas and spreads its attack over the entire exposed metal. Where this gas is concentrated we have seen grooves cut in the metal

from the accelerated acid attack. Yet amount for amount, oxygen is far more aggressive and can attack iron as much as ten times faster than carbon dioxide. In combination oxygen's attack is quadrupled in effect.

#### Correctives

Corrosion is but countered with good deaeration of feedwater. To be effective this requires good venting and maintaining the water close to or at boiling temperature. In practice water goes through a heater too fast to allow time for release of the entrained gases so the drycleaner has to rely upon chemicals for protection.

In more sizable plants the water leaving the ion-exchange softener is fed a dilute caustic soda continuously. If the boiler is given a continuous blowdown a trickle from this blowdown can be tapped and fed into the softened water. What you are after is to maintain a pH in the water of at least 8.4 to combat corrosion.

Some plastic paints provide iron with good corrosion protection for hot or cold water. Tar-base paints prove more durable for boiling water. A newly installed receiving tank should be coated with such paint, likewise a badly pitted boiler drum. Wire-brush the drum down to bare metal first if you want the paint job to last.

Zinc rods are sometimes hung in boiler water to divert oxygen attack on to themselves and away from the iron. The water loses its appetite for the iron as long as the zinc lasts, but there is the chief objection to the use of the rods. The average operator forgets they are there and in a short while they are all eaten up. The boiler iron is then under attack. Prompt replacement is the only answer here.

Amines are widely used chemicals for combatting carbon dioxide corrosion. They are mildly alkaline, vaporize with the steam, leaving behind no sludge or solids in the boiler, and dissolve back into the condensate. In dissolving, the amine combines with carbonic acid to form an inactive soluble product. For oxygen control a filming amine has been developed. When it moves over into the condensate it lays down a film material that clings and covers the inside of pipes. Protection is said to be somewhat better than 70 percent. # #

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#### Consumer satisfaction

In the drycleaning and laundry industry, steady customers are nearly the only measure of satisfactory plant performance. It can be seen by referring to the chart representing consumer satisfaction (Fig. 7) that the percent of "repeat" customers has increased since the installation of the piecework plan. This indicates that a higher degree of quality and speedier service are now available.

These two factors are determining criteria for increased Power sales. It is through increased production and increased quality control that speedier service and better quality can be accomplished. The absence of either factor can be a deterrent in assuring a high degree of consumer satisfaction. Power management feels that up-todate, modern, farsighted policy making has increased the degree of consumer satisfaction considerably. This increase has had and will have an upward effect on profits in the long run.

#### **Profits**

The most important results, profitwise, of the piecework plan are twofold. First, over-all profit margins could increase by 12 percent or more

depending upon the degree of cost savings which Power Cleaner finally attains. It is obvious that since costs decrease by 12 percent, profits could increase by the same proportion. This, of course, is true assuming that a portion of the 12 percent or the entire 12 percent is not put to another use, such as advertising, etc. Second, in absolute terms, profits should increase provided Power management is able to gain a larger volume of business to any point which approaches full capacity.

Thus, the increase in capacity resulting from the piecework plan can, if volume permits, have the effect of increased production, which will result in increased profits due to the nature of the piecework plan and the effect it has on the percentage involved when considering relative cost reduction. The 12 percent cost reduction figure can increase with increased volume when dealing with unit costs of this nature; more volume will result in a decrease in each unit's individual production costs, up to a certain point.

All in all, it can be said that through efficiencies found, as a result of the piecework wage plan, profits are at an all-time high for this particular business and appear to be growing stead-

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Fig. 1. First step is to take shirt off post by grasping shoulders



#### CHAPTER



Fig. 2. Collar block is depressed by step ping on foot pedal of semi-automatic sidefold table.

# THE DRYCLEANER and Shirt Laundering

#### Job description of shirt folding

ONCE AGAIN, the choice of equipment is varied, as it is all through the shirt finishing department. There are automatic and semi-automatic folders. There are manual folders. There are front- and side-folding tables. The higher priced equipment will produce more. Advice from your allied tradesman will help you make the wisest selection. Whether you use a front or side fold is optional, although a front-fold machine takes up less space.

The basic purpose of the folding table is to distribute the fabric evenly, with as few creases as possible. But the equipment has another important function. There are many variations in packaging, and they all begin at the folding table. Tables can be equipped with lay-down or stand-up collar blocks, Lay-down collars lie flat and

can be packaged easily and economically. They take up less space in the customer's dresser drawer.

#### Packaging starts here

With this type of fold, shirt eardboards can be eliminated, or replaced with paper or tissue. It gives a soft effect that many customers prefer. Many plants will use an outer cardboard shell or boxes to provide greater protection. But more of packaging later. We only mention it briefly, since packaging starts at the folding table.

It is in this step of processing that all the flaws of previous finishing stand out. If the collar has not been properly arched, or the buttonhole strip was stretched more than necessary on the press, it will show up. The finishers can add to the folder's burdens or lessen them.

Good tolding techniques specify that only one button-the collar-be buttoned. Some plants button two or even three buttons. This is done to keep the shirt from gapping open, or to make it easier for the operator to align the button strip with the buttons. But it means the customer must unbutton it, put on the shirt and then rebutton it. In this way the shirt buttons and buttonholes are handled three times. It's a nuisance for the customer and helps to rumple the shirt front. If the man wears a bow tie it shows when the front has been broken down by excess handling. Since the customer pays the bill, let's please him instead of appeasing the operator.

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If the operator finds that the shirt gaps open or that buttons show, she should overlap the front of the shirt 2 or 3 inches more than normal until she gets used to the operation. The new girl can overcome this problem within a day or two. It's just a matter of getting used to it.

Following are the job breakdowns on the various types of folding tables:

#### Job Breakdown: I Semi-Automatic Side-Fold Table

#### IMPORTANT STEPS and KEY POINTS

1. Lay the shirt on the table.

a. Grasp the shirt by the shoulders (Fig. 1) and let the hands slide down the sleeves a few inches. This is done so that when the shirt is drawn over the folding table, it is spread out and needs little or no straightening.

b. Step on the pedal with the right foot (Fig. 2). This will depress the collar block. Placing the collar over the block, hold the palm of your hand over the collar and release the pedal. It will expand and hold the collar in place.

2. Set shirt up for fold.

a. With the left hand raise the tail of the shirt (Fig. 3), and with the right hand, center the buttonhole strip down the middle of the guide light. Now place the button strip on top of it.

b. Bring the left hand down with a quick motion so as to create a breeze that will help to keep your shirt free from wrinkles.

c. At the same time you are bring-

ing your hand down, turn it so you will make a pleat in the back of the shirt (Fig. 4), leaving the sides of the shirt smooth. There should be no material to bunch up at the sides.

d. If a shirtboard is to be used, you will now insert it into the folding blade with your left hand.

If this is a French-cuff shirt, at this time the sleeves are drawn straight across the back of the shirt, dropping the French cuff flat and underneath the sleeve (Fig. 5). For a short-sleeve shirt, some folding tables have a clamp on the folding arms, underneath which you place the ends of the sleeves. This will hold the sleeves in place while the arms fold the shirt.

e. Press starting button.

3. Fold up the tail.

 Fold up the end of the tail to the tail-band mark.

b. Hold the left hand inside of the shirt at the end of the folding blade, to keep the shirt from bunching up when the tail is folded all the way. Bring the fold up almost even with the shoulders of the shirt (Fig. 6).

4. Attach shirtband.

a. With both hands take each end of the shirtband and wrap it around the shirt, fastening it at the back (Fig. 7).

5. Remove shirt.

a. Step on the pedal with the right foot. This will bring the folded shirt up at an angle (it will also depress the collar block) where a plastic bag may be placed over the shirt very easily if one is to be used.

b. With the right hand grasp the shirt by the end, and in the center. The folding blade has a cut-out here,

and when you take hold of the shirt at that area, you will be grasping the shirt—not the folding blade. Lay it on the table, facing you. If a collar protector is to be used this is the time to insert it.

An operator may be taught to insert the collar protector while the shirt is still on the folding blade. Then when the plastic bag is applied, it can be pulled completely over the shirt.

If a shirt rack is put beside the folding table, the folder will be able to sort as she folds.

#### Job Breakdown: II Front-Fold Automatic

In a two-girl unit the folder also operates the sleeve press. Therefore, in order to take advantage of an automatic folding table, as soon as the shirt is set up and she presses the starter button, she leaves the table and goes immediately to the sleeve press.

No matter what kind of folding table you are using, the first steps are the same. That is—you always grasp the shirt by the sleeves a few inches down from the shoulders and place it over the

As the operator places the shirt over the collar block, she will press a small lever with her right index finger to expand the collar block. It is located just to the right of the expanding block. There is no starting button for this table. When the operator has the shirt laid out, she will push the folding blade down on to the shirt and this will start the table in motion. A metal bar which is under the metal shield in front will go forward, taking the tail with it, and return to the starting position, leaving the tail folded.

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Proper collar buttoning is an integral part of preparing the shirt for good folding. The pictures and captions above tell how this is done.

Left: Shirt is grasped at collar ends. Operator has held collar band between the thumb and second finger, and has



turned the collar by putting pressure at the collar points with the index finger.

Center: Operator shapes the collar next on the buttoner post. She is pulling the collar toward her and applying slight pressure to form it properly. This post is wooden, but some are metal and are



heated. The procedure is the same.

Right: Next operation is to button the collar button. At no time did the operator lift the collar points. This would tend to break the collar, especially if it were starched. This girl also inspects the garment for repairs and quality.

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Fig. 3. Left hand is used to raise tail of shirt



Fig. 4. Note position of hands to form pleat in back of shirt



Fig. S. French cuffs are dropped flat and underneath the sleeve



Fig. 6. Tail fold is brought up almost even with shoulders of the shirt

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Next, the folding arms go into action and
the shirt is completely folded.
Some of the features of this table are:

 The small square of perforated holes in the top panel is the guide light.
 The buttonhole strip must be placed in the center of this light.

2. The black knob to the left of this square will stop the machine after it has folded up the tail, thus allowing the operator to fold the short sleeve or French cuffs by hand. When she has them in place she will pull the knob forward and the table will continue to fold the shirt. After this the operator will put on the shirtband, step on the pedal to the right, and the shirt will come up to an angle position. The girl can now slide a plastic bag over the shirt easily.

3. In setting up the shirt, the sleeves must be back of the guide arms so when the sleeves are folded over they will go straight across—and not at an angle. The band well has three strips of wood in it, which are adjustable to make way for any size shirtband. The rack on top is used for supplies—boards, bags, bands or collar protectors.

This is considered a high-speed table. The same model in semi-automatic works the same way but has no tail bar. The tail is folded by hand after the table has folded in the sides.

#### Job Breakdown: III Manual Fold Table

#### IMPORTANT STEPS and KEY POINTS

#### I. Lay shirt on table.

a. Grasp the shirt by the shoulder and let the hands slip down the sleeve a few inches. This is done so that when the shirt is spread over the folding table, it will not be necessary to straighten it out.

b. As you step up to the table your right foot should be forward to step on the pedal that will depress the collar block.

c. As the shirt is spread over the table, the collar is put over the block.

d. Hold the palm of one hand over the collar, making sure it is all the way down on the block. Now release the pedal. This will expand the collar block and hold the shirt in place. With the other hand insert the shirtboard into the folding blade.

#### 2. Set up shirt for fold.

a. With the left hand raise the tail of the shirt; with the right hand center the buttonhole strip down the middle of the guide light, and place the button strip on top of it.

b. Bring the left hand down with a quick motion so as to create a breeze which will help to keep your shirt free from wrinkles.

c. As you bring your hand down, turn it so you will make a pleat in the back of the shirt, leaving the sides of the shirt smooth.

Note: If this is a French cuff or a short-sleeve shirt, a little care must be taken at this point. For French cuffs lay the sleeves, one at a time, straight across the back of the shirt, letting the French cuff fall flat underneath the sleeve. Make sure the cuffs—French or barrel—are either on the folding table or off it. If they are partially on, when the rest of the shirt is folded the cuffs will be bent.

d. With your right hand, bring the folding blade down.

e. Bring the right sleeve over and across the folding blade, pulling it slightly with the left hand—and holding the right shoulder with the right hand.

f. Bring the left sleeve over and across the folding blade, pulling it slightly with the right hand—and hold the left shoulder with the left hand.

g. Fold over the right shoulder.

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#### SHIRTS-

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Fig. 7. Shirt bands are fastened at the back of the shirt



Fig. 8. After folding the shirt is raised in vertical position for packaging



This two-position folder can be converted to either a front fold or side fold in a matter of seconds



A typical front-fold automatic machine. Collar blocks can be supplied to furnish semi-flat collar



#### Front Fold-Fully Automatic

This is a fully automatic pulpit type or front fold. The shirt would be laid on this table much the same as on the others. This collar block would be operated by the foot pedal. It has sleeve guides on the sides, and French-cuff holders. It may be stopped after the tail has gone into place to allow the operator to place the short sleeve, or French cuffs, into position. The starter button is on the right at table-top level. It has a storage space — top left — for shirtboards and bags, and space underneath for additional supplies. This also is a high-production table.

- h. Fold over the left shoulder.
- Pull down hold clamp at the top of folding blade.
- Tuck the right tail under the left tail.
- k. Fold up the tail about 6 inches, then fold up the rest of the tail, bringing the fold up to the shoulders.
- 1. Place band on shirt.
- m. Step on pedal and raise completed shirt to a stand-up position. Release pedal.
  - n. Place collar protector in shirt.
- Draw plastic bag over shirt.
   Remove shirt from folding blade and place in rack.

#### Job Breakdown: IV Front-Fold Manual Table With Folding Arms

This table may be converted in 15 seconds to either a side or front fold.

Since this table is manually operated—after the shirt board is inserted the folding blade is brought down, bringing with it the folding arms. This table has manually operated folding arms attached to the folding blade.

If the shirt has French cuffs or short sleeves, the sleeves are placed across the blade by hand.

#### IMPORTANT STEPS and KEY POINTS

1. Fold sides of shirt.

- a. With the left hand bring the left folding arm over and lock it in place. As you bring the arm over you will notice an arm will come down to keep the sleeve from wrinkling. This is called a hold-down finger.
- With the right hand bring the right folding arm over and lock in place.

#### 2. Fold tail.

- a. Put the left tail under the right tail.
- Bring the tail of the shirt up and on top of the folding blade, keeping the left hand inside to keep the shirt smooth.
- c. As you lay the tail down, fold the end under about 6 inches, giving a neat, smooth appearance to the back of the shirt.

#### 3. Place band and bag on shirt.

- a. With both hands, attach band around shirt.
- b. Step on pedal and raise the folded shirt to a stand-up position (Fig. 8).
- c. With both hands, take plastic bag and slip it down over the folded shirt.

#### 4. Remove shirt.

a. The shirt is removed by grasping the end of the shirt at the button-hole strip. At this area, the folding blade is cut out and it will allow you to remove the shirt easily, since you will be taking hold of the shirt itself, and not the folding blade. ##



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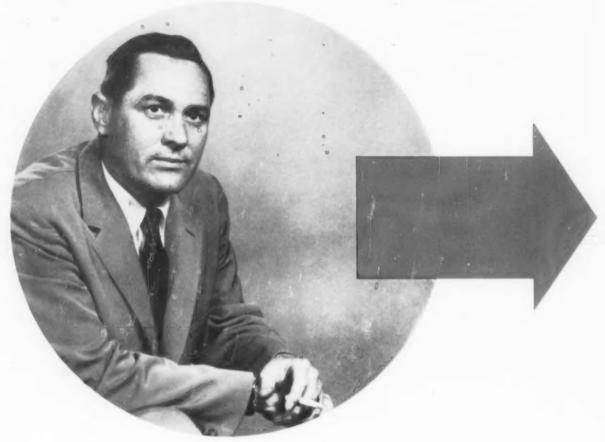
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This wrinkled condition is not unusual and in most cases is due to the presence of sizing in the fabric or to synthetic yarns which make up the fabric. Resin sizings used on fabrics will often cause wrinkes that ordinary finishing methods will not overcome. These are usually heat wrinkles which can sometimes be corrected by using a hot-head press and exposing the fabric to higher temperatures than normal under prolonged pressure,

Some synthetic fibers, particularly Orlon and Dacron, are more sensitive to heat and fusing and will also take on permanent wrinkles if exposed to high heat over a period of time. In this case the dress appears to be made of Orlon.

Give this garment a light dry-side sizing. In finishing the garment use a hot-head if possible, and on each lay allow the press head to remain down on the fabric for several seconds. Added heat and pressure will sometimes overcome the wrinkles and the sizing may be of value.

This fabric can be wetcleaned satisfactorily but it is doubtful whether such processing wil help the wrinkles. Also, there are several small holes near the shoulder seams which would probably be enlarged by any wet process,

#### Redeposition of Soil

This pink sweater was cleaned last July in Stoddard solvent without detergent or moisture. Upon delivery this fall it was returned with the complaint that it had lost most of its color.—E. D., South Carolina

The change in color was caused by redeposition of soil. By using a neutral lubricant I was able to flush some of this redeposited soil from the wool varus. The color in this area' has brightened noticeably.

Redeposition of soil can be caused by many factors in cleaning, the most notable of which is probably improper filtration. Unless the soil is quickly removed from the washer, redeposition is very likely to occur. Too small a filter or high pressure on an adequate filter will contribute to this problem. Running a load on "batch" is also frowned upon because then soil is not being removed from the washer but is confined to the cylinder with the clothes.

Soak this sweater in a bath of solvent and detergent (about 10 percent concentration). After several hours rinse in the drycleaning washer (3

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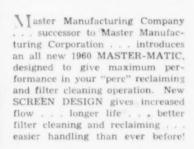
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to 5 minutes) or by hand, extract and dry. Then place to soak in a water bath to which has been added a neutral lubricant for about an hour, working with the hands occasionally. A little ammonia could be added in the last 15 minutes. Rinse well. If ammonia has been used, follow the rinse with a sour bath, extract and air-dry or dry in the drying cabinet.

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Above: Window display in call office features men's suits and jackets. Showcase carries assortment of women's costume jewelry and compacts. Below: Ready-to-wear garments for both sexes may be found on metal racks. Owner Larry Bontempo, with tailoring background, does alterations



# B & V Goes

# All Out For Sidelines . . . runs gamut from

shirts and coin-op laundry to haberdashery, jewelry and clothing







Shirt laundering is handled in twin-compartmented 36-pound washer (left) and finished at 2-girl shirt unit (center). At right: Drive-in plant is located on main artery through Mountain Lakes, New Jersey, serving wide surrounding area. Most volume is over the counter



Tie display graces top of call counter

#### By JERRY WHITMAN



ASK LARRY BONTEMPO of B & V Laundry-Cleaners, Mountain Lakes, New Jersey, what business he's in and he may very likely hesitate before he answers. Although drycleaning is his principal source of revenue, Mr. Bontempo has a number of other irons in the fire that add up to mighty profitable sideline incomes.

His shirt operation is probably the least unusual of his enterprises, although he probably does as well at this as any other drycleaner his size. With an average weekly volume of better than 2,000 shirts, priced at 25 cents for dress shirts, 40 cents for sport shirts and a half dollar for tuxedo shirts, this service is, comparatively, one of the best money-makers at B & V.

What's more, the shirt volume comes in without any special promotional or advertising effort. Larry's customers apparently appreciate the convenience of a one-stop drycleaner-shirt launderer and his volume in shirts has climbed steadily since he introduced the service some five years ago.

Three employees are involved in the shirt operation. One handles the washing in a square-shaped, top-loading unit with twin washing compartments. Each compartment is capable of handling from 20 to 22 shirts at a time and the unit has a combined capacity of 36 pounds. It provides sufficient volume to stay ahead of the productivity of the 2-girl shirt finishing unit.

Even though it does extremely well on its own, Mr. Bontempo feels that his shirt laundering service has helped increase drycleaning volume during the past few years. Customers like the fast quality service as well as the convenience of having both needs handled at one point.

Another not so unusual sideline for a drycleaner is the coin-operated laundry Mr. Bontempo opened this past spring in nearby Boonton. It is equipped with twenty 10-pound washers and six driers. The store also serves as a pickup station for garments and shirts that are fed back to the main plant in Mountain Lakes.

Actually, this store is the second branch maintained in Boonton. Mr. Bontempo still operates his original store in that town that he began with in 1947 although it is now a feeder outlet. The main plant in Mountain Lakes was opened two years later, in 1949.

And talk about sidelines, Mr. Bontempo operates a fairly complete haberdashery business at the main-plant call office, catering to both men and women. His ready-to-wear stock includes men's suits and sports attire, women's coats, toppers and costume jewelry, men's shirts—dress and sport, ties, socks and other assorted paraphernalia. The ties are displayed on the counter, while the remainder of the inventory is set up at the opposite end of the commodious call office.

One of the windows of the drive-inplant is utilized for clothing displays. Where the ready-to-wear garments require alterations Mr. Bontempo's original calling as a tailor stands him in good stead.

He has maintained this retail sideline since 1954 and, when asked how well he does at it financially, Mr. Bontempo said: "I buy a new Cadillac every year. Does that answer your question?" Indeed it does.

Most of B & V's drycleaning volume is over the counter. The location of the drive-in on a main highway in Mountain Lakes is well situated to serve a large surrounding area. One truck is maintained for customers who want pickup-and-delivery service. The truck takes care of some 80 pickups twice a week on a regular basis, in addition to handling telephone pickup calls from customers who can't get away from home for one reason or another.

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# New York Celebrates Golden Jubilee

THE FIFTIETH convention of the New York State Launderers and Cleaners Association was a gala affair loaded with information and fun for all

Some 185 persons turned out to commemorate the occasion during the three-day meeting at Scaroon Manor, Schroon Lake, September 24-27.

In keeping with the occasion, Morris Landau of Cummings-Landau, representing the Laundry and Cleaners Allied Trades Association, opened the program by extending congratulations to the association on its many years of service to the industry.

#### Backward and forward look

Later, Arthur Schuelke and Henry Mozdzer, editors of National Cleaner & Dyer and Starchroom Laundry Journal, respectively, traced the history of the industries concluding with a look into the future.

But the program wasn't all devoted to reminiscing. There was lots of practical, up-to-date information to be had, too.

#### Plantowners' panel

Norbert J. Berg, former general manager of the National Institute of Drycleaning and now with Staub Cleaners, Rochester, moderated the plantowners' panel on current industry developments.

Coin-ops: Rolfe Scofield, Jr., Crescent-Puritan Laundry, Rochester, told of his personal experiences with two installations. He prefers neighborhood locations as opposed to shopping-center sites. And suggests being wholly within a racial district rather than on the borderline between two districts. He felt that cleanliness and keeping equipment in good repair were most important.

Box storage: Arnold J. Smith, Robinson and Smith, Gloversville, explained garment storage as promoted by his plant. The firm recently switched to a hamper-type box with good results. The charge is \$4.95 for the first box and \$3 for the second. All work is processed within three days of receipt and the customer is billed immediately. This gives the customer the opportunity to arrange weekly or monthly payments since the cleaning charges average \$20 per box. The route salesmen get 50 cents per box and \$1 for each one over last year's quota.

Shirt rental: Moses Abrahams, State Laundry, Hempstead, described his company's shirt program whereby a customer can rent shirts and have them washed and maintained at a cost of \$5 cents per week per shirt. The shirts are said to last at least 40 washings. State used to require a \$10 deposit to start this service but this has since been dropped for home pickup and-delivery. The customer simply signs a shirt rental order which he can terminate at the end of six months by buying the shirts at \$3 each. A customer can also stop service during the summer by returning the shirts and agreeing to send the plant his sport shirts. At the present time the customers rent shirts as follows:

25 percent order 4 shirts 50 percent order 5 shirts 23 percent order 6 shirts

2 percent order 7 or more During the course of a year about 4 percent of the shirt rental orders are terminated as a result of moving and death. The route salesmen get the regular commission on rental business.

Charge accounts: William Ritchie, Islip Laundry, Islip, cited the advantages of charge account selling.

George Isaacson, general manager, American Institute of Laundering, gave a detailed analysis of the industry, showing how some of the unfavorable aspects of the business were being offset by diversification, increased store outlets, coin-ops, climbing shirt volume, etc. The general economic trends, such as increased population, the teen-age market, working wives, rising standards of living, more research, also pointed the way to a brighter, more profitable future.

Other speakers during the first day's session included Robert A. Jones of the New York Telephone Company, on how to get the most out of a phone.

William T. Cruse, executive vicepresident, Society of the Plastics Industry, told and showed the members what the society is doing to educate the public in the wake of the recent plastic-bag panic.

The members also heard plans for a regional advertising idea proposed by the National Institute of Drycleaning which would result in the appearance of a two-page ad in the Saturday Evening Post next February.

#### New officers

William C. Eisenhardt of Octagon Laundry, Ridgewood, was elected president of the association, succeeding Paul J. Rickett, Sr., of Rickett's, Inc., Ballston Spa. Rolfe Scofield, Jr., was elected vice-president, and Karl M. F. Wilke, Wilke Laundry, Albany treasurer. John H. Leahy remains as executive secretary.—Henry Mozdzer

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But this burgeoning population and economic growth, the incredible scientific advances during our lifetime, do not mean our individual futures are secure. The future belongs to those who can adjust to the supersonic space age. History is full of records of individuals, firms and industries that failed to keep pace.

One of the ways we can avoid this is by preplanning. In this case a predetermined advertising and promotion campaign can help keep our industry strong. That is the sole purpose of this sales calcular; to help you grow.

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#### Be an expert

Motivation research by the National Institute of Drycleaning says that's the impression we should give. Conduct plant tours now to show your customers and prospects the equipment and skills our craft requires.

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#### Furlike fabrics

The synthetic furs are more popular than ever this year, even in men's jackets. They have had many weeks wear by now and are ready for cleaning. Get your fair share of this lucrative market.

#### FEBRUARY

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#### Festive occasion (14)

St. Valentine's Day is party time an opportunity to push for party clothes and formal rental, if you offer that money-making sideline. Direct your ads to the teen-agers, especially.

#### National Convention (22-23)

Make sure your budget for 1960 provides enough funds for you to come to Chicago for the annual NID event and the exhibit show. Most community papers will carry an item to let your customers know you are traveling there to keep abreast of industry developments.



#### Money substitute

In the midst of the slack winter period, funds for advertising are scarce . . . but it's important to keep your name before the public. Arrange for a series of lectures to the home economics classes in your local high schools. It will help cultivate the teen-age market and it doesn't require a great deal of money.

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#### School's out

The social season for students is in full swing, just before vacation time. Plug for tuxedos and formal gowns as well as graduation gowns. Undergraduates at universities and colleges may be glad to store their regular garments with you, rather than transport them back home.

#### Sales Promotion Calendar 1960

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#### **Happy** holidays

Summer is in full swing. Concentrate your ads on casual wear, sport shirts. Stress drycleaning of garments just before the big holiday, the Fourth. Follow up on that wash-and-wear business. Be sure to talk about your wonderful garment sizing for that like-new look.



#### Look ahead

A check of your volume will show how effective your promotion efforts have been to date. Now is the time to increase that ad budget or turn your funds in other directions. Have you provided for a directmail campaign, bundle stuffers and button tags? These are excellent supplements to your standard program.

#### Off-season promotion

Ever think of a blanket promotion at this time of year? Try it and be surprised. A lot of people take blankets along to summer cottages and camps. It's a good time, too, to promote specials on specialty items such as ties or drapes.

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#### Back to school

Mothers will be preparing children's wardrobes the latter part of this month. Go after sweaters, slacks and skirts. Kids' rainwear needs water repellency and there are leather goods that need cleaning now. Offer free book covers as a goodwill gesture.



#### Cotton sizing

This one bears repetition. The wash-and-wear manufacturers have been brain-washing your customers all summer and only your ads can combat this. And remember, not all your customers are at the beach or mountains now. Statistics prove only 10 percent of your customers are away at any one time. Let the other 90 percent know you are still around to handle their garment maintenance.

#### **Public relations**

Offer to clean the local high school's football uniforms free or at cost. The same goes for church choir robes or band uniforms. Try to sponsor a local bowling team. Many firms have gained invaluable publicity by lending their route trucks to haul band instruments or athletic gear.

#### Pillow cleaning

Renovation of pillows is one of the little-tapped sidelines in our industry. Initial investment for equipment is small; yet it can add hundreds of dollars to your over-all volume and profit.

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#### Summer garment storage

If you store winter garments, these will soon be taken out of your vault, leaving it empty. Offer your customers the advantage of emptying their closets of their summer wear and sending it to you. It's an accommodation to them — and yourself, too. Spots are easier to remove before they've set all winter in a warm closet.

#### Shirts

Now that the casual-wear season is about over, it's time for a promotion on men's dress shirts. A special can build up your fall volume. Check your quality, however, and make certain your present crew is properly trained before you push this important sideline. Investigate the possibilities of going into shirt rental. This service is a tried and proven money-maker.



#### Labor Day (5)

The last big holiday of the summer calls for visits back home, parties and outdoor get-togethers. Advertise before and after the event for those party and casual clothes. If your community has a parade on this holiday, an entry by your firm can add to your prestige.

#### Reweaving

Here is a wanted sideline that requires no investment in capital equipment. There are many fine firms that will do this work for you. A few dollars in advertising can pay off big.

#### Goblin time (31)

Hallowe'en lends itself to all sorts of promotion possibilities. Many merchants participate in a community effort to divert the youngsters by sponsoring a store-window-painting contest. Colorful window displays add to the festive air of the occasion. Give the small fry masks or candy free. They'll love you for it.



#### Hunting season

Outdoor wear should be advertised at this time. Cleaning and waterrepellent treatment of jackets, trousers and outdoor gear can add to your revenue. Bedrolls and blankets are easy to handle and offer a good profit.

#### Fall cleaning

Spend a sizable portion of your budget at this time for those household items. Rugs, drapes, bed-spreads and upholstered furniture can boost your profits. Don't overlook the possibilities of cleaning work from churches, schools and theaters on similar items. Flame-proofing adds to the final cleaning figure and establishes you as a plant that offers complete service.

#### Sidelines

Dyework and leather cleaning are profitable prestige builders. Farm this work out if necessary.

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#### Special promotions

A good one at this time is a series of plant visitations. People are still drycleaning-conscious and they will be receptive to your invitation. Arrange this through church and service club groups, offering 50 cents a head for everyone who attends. But be sure your house is in order before the events take place.

#### Hat cleaning

There has been a revival of hat renovation, once almost a lost art. Many of the bigger plants that abandoned it years ago are finding an excellent source of revenue here. This is a good time to promote it.

#### Thanksgiving Day (24)

This one is obvious for party clothes. Get them before the big occasion and then follow up to get rid of the turkey stains after. Such garments are a natural for your de luxe service for added revenue.



#### Home economics

Offer to conduct plant tours for students. Make yourself available to lecture classes on clothes care; how to select proper, serviceable fabrics. (We will be glad to send you a list of materials that will make your lecturing job easier.)

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#### Santa Claus time

One of the best ways to win customers' goodwill is through their children. A giveaway contest of bicycles, dolls, trains and similar items on display throughout the month can do wonders. Check to make sure your state doesn't have restrictive lottery laws.



#### Formals

Here's still another chance to get formals into the plant. Everyone is entertaining and wearing finery. These garments provide the extra revenue you need. Push that de luxe service. Create the proper atmosphere with attractive window displays, conveying the holiday spirit.

#### **Outdoor sports**

Skating and skiing apparel needs attention at this time of the year. And leather work is a lucrative sideline. If you aren't equipped to do this in your own plant, many reputable wholesale firms specialize in this service and produce excellent work with a good margin of profit for you.

#### Shoe repair

If you aren't equipped to offer this service in your own plant, arrange to have this done by an outside source. It will help establish you as a plant that offers a *complete* service, at little cost but high profit.

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#### **Red Cross Month**

Worth-while drives need all the support they can get. Organize your local cleaners to become fundraisers as a public relations builder. Carry posters in your windows and on your counters. Your local chapter will be glad to cooperate.

#### Hooray for the Irish (17)

St. Patrick's Day comes around March 17. A few radio spot announcements offering to clean solid green garments free will produce great results. Free shamrocks or green carnations work well, too.

#### Get ready

The Easter season comes nearly three weeks later this year (April 17). This will bring it close to the normal spring rush. Prepare your customers by starting your advertising the latter part of this month. Suggest they send their garments in early to avoid disappointment.



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#### Spring formals

Party season is back. Once again promote cleaning of formal wear. Hold a style show of drycleaned gowns. Promote a Queen of May contest at your local schools. This one always pays off in free newspaper publicity.

#### Storage season

Push now for both fur storage and box storage in all your advertising. Each year sees box-storage volume growing for plants that offer this profitable sideline. Start a sales contest for your route salesmen and counter girls.



#### Housecleaning time

Now's the time to go all out on promotion of drapes, slipcovers and rugs. The time to promote heavily is when the housewife is in the proper mood to buy these important sideline services. It's also time to get those heavy winter garments cleaned before putting away.

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#### Be prepared

Wedding bells will be ringing everywhere next month. Offer brides suggestions for the purchase of their gowns. And let them know you're prepared to clean and pack these treasured garments after the ceremony. Newlyweds are your best potential for added business.

#### Mother's Day (8)

We'd be in sad shape without mothers' patronage. A good way to show appreciation is to run a contest for "Mother of the Year" in your community. Have your ads remind the family to spruce up for dinner out this important day.

#### Sideline promotion

Spring rains have raised havoc with rainwear—go after water-repellent work. Another good item for added profits is mothproofing. Tell about these two services in all your advertising. And merchandise sizing, storage, dyeing and leather work. Strike while the iron is hot.



#### Flag Day (14)

The free cleaning of flags promoted the last several years by NID for all cleaners has become an institution. This patriotic gesture can't help but build goodwill for your firm.

#### Wash-and-wear

Overcome the summer doldrums

by pushing sizing of cottons and other fabrics. Stress the ease of eare you can offer. Smart cleaners haven't tried to beat the wash-andwear trend; they ride on the coattails of garment manufacturers' advertising. Advertising now will boost your summer volume.

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off of any overflow that occurs and water here has been no problem.

An all-glass front assures customers a view of the entire interior, and the furnishings were planned to contribute to an attractive over-all picture.

For instance, the marker's station is a 50-bundle hopper affair that slopes to the back of the Formicacovered table-top working area. This feeds only one or two nets of work at a time and gives the marker more uncluttered working surface. The sides of the table are enclosed with mahogany paneling that matches the counter and desks in the room. One of the sloping sides of the hopper is covered with white Cellotex to serve as a bulletin board. The paneling also makes it possible to use the lower part of the table for storage of supplies needed at this station.

Location of the office desk is unusual; it is right smack in front of the window beside the front entrance. As Dwight Alquist admits, this is a sort of off-beat construction since it is actually built around a rather unsightly safe. In any event, it is all faced with mahogany veneer to match the other furnishings, and is quite attractive. (All the wooden furnishings were constructed by the owner in his home workshop.) Best of all, it serves a great number of purposes, including letting customers see the owner is on the job and not out playing golf every day.

A receiving counter is covered with mahogany veneer, plus a Formica top, and is quite functional. For one thing, it is equipped with large swived wheels for easy moving in and out of the plant. Mesh bags are hung on the front portion. Hinged doors on top receive soiled bundles and there are doors on the ends for their removal. The top is used for the needed stamp and ready file, while a cash drawer is set in the front edge. There is even

an electric cord which plugs into an outdoor socket so the girl can press a counter button to summon more help as business warrants it.

With space at a premium there are no baskets in view of the customers for work going to the cleaning department. Instead, the marker makes use of a lightweight cart of aluminum tubing which has eight compartments in which she places marked-in garments according to classification. Fancy silks are never crumpled in the compartments but are hung on hangers on the ends of the big cart. This makes the cleaner's job much easier. The plant operates with a 50-order lot system.

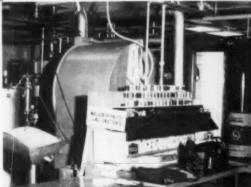
Directly behind the marker's hopper is the major repair department. Minor repairs are expedited by using a cabinet mounted on caster wheels so it can be moved about as needed. Wherever tables are needed the sides are housed in with wood to provide more storage space for supplies.

One of the best of these affairs is a narrow cabinet in the cleaning department for holding minor repair parts for all the plant equipment, plus the hand tools for general maintenance. A lower compartment even holds a couple of small garbage cans for filtering aids such as filter powder and activated carbon. Also, there are gallon jugs of drycleaning detergents and sizing within arm's reach of the cleaner at all times. This, ac-



Carhops' receiving station is located in front of office window for fast service. All orders are placed in nets





Signs were used during open-house promotion to identify each department

Owner Dwight Alquist displays his drapery holder, located within customers' view to help promote sale of this profitable service

# Simplified Spotting Chart BLACK background for DRY spotting

RED background for WET spotting



Food starch, sugar, sweets Glue Ice Cream Mud Perspiration

#### Protein formula

#### Digester formula

#### Prespotter

3 ports WATER

#### Water marks GROUP B

Coffee Dye stains Fruit juice Grass stains

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#### Tannin formula

#### Streepene

#### Tannin formula GROUP C

Protein formula

#### Straight Pyratex

Marking and ball pen ink

#### Streepene

#### GROUP D

RUST AND OTHER COMPOUNDS

#### Tannin formula **Rust remover**

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#### GROUP E

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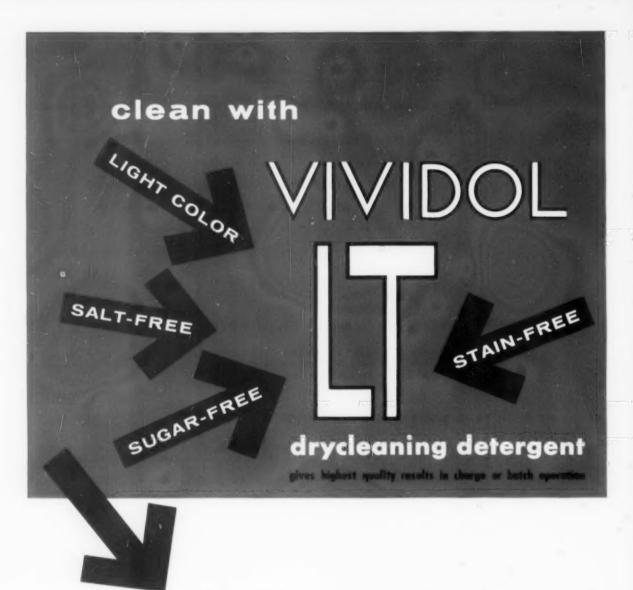
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#### Canadians Hold First International Industry Exhibit

MANUFACTURERS from at least four countries gave the first industry exhibit ever held in Canada a truly cosmopolitan flavor. Held under the sponsorship of the Canadian Cleaners and Launderers Allied Trades Association on the same dates as the convention of the Dry Cleaners and Launderers Institute (Ontario Region) of the Canadian Research Institute of Launderers and Cleaners, the event took place in Toronto, Ontario, October 22-24.

A sellout of some 40,000 square feet of booth space completely filled the beautiful new Queen Elizabeth Building in the Exposition Park of that city. The crowds were slow to materialize at first, but each day brought more and more visitors. Manufacturers of equipment generally reported that all machinery on display was sold on the spot. Among them were well-known producers from the United States, Canada, England and Germany. Total attendance came to over 2,000.



The trade show opened officially with a ribbon-cutting ceremony conducted by John Clinton, president of CLATA, and Dr. Matthew Dymand, Minister of Health for Ontario

A well-rounded program of top speakers was presented by the DCLI. Headlining the group was Ancliffe Prince, editor of Power Laundry and Cleaning News of London, England. He made mention of the special contingent of about 100 plantowners he had organized for a charter flight from England to New York City. He stated that he and his party were in no sense here in the role of teachers, but definitely as students; to learn the techniques of Canadian and United States cleaners and launderers.

Mr. Prince said that there should be more and more interchange of ideas among people of different countries. It would not only help the business of the two industries, but bring about a better understanding between the people themselves.

He suggested that the launderers of the British Commonwealth nations get together and pool their resources to start a trade school. This would insure enough trained people to keep the industry young and vibrant.

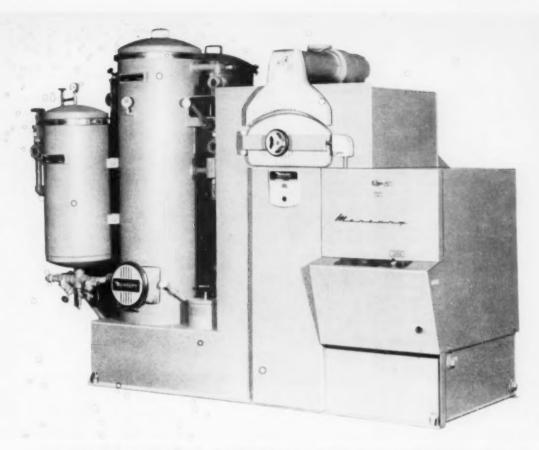
His words struck home. The next night at the banquet, Mr. Prince was introduced to the audience, as were the other persons at the head table. When his name was announced, Harry Fotheringham of Hamilton, Ontario, rose to his feet and presented Mr. Prince with a check for \$1,000 as his contribution to get the school started. Within seconds, others in the audience rose and made pledges and turned in their checks. Most were for a similar amount. In all some \$5,700 was accumulated on the spot and more will surely follow.

Among other important addresses was one given by Albert Johnson of the trade relations department of the National Institute of Drycleaning. He discussed the progress of the work of his department in bringing about better understanding between garment and textile manufacturers and the drycleaning industry. For example, the American Standards Association is setting up basic standards for some 72 different types of fabrics as a direct result of the NID's work. This is the





Left—A traditional bagpiper leads the honored guests to the head table for the dinner. Right—The derby-hatted gentleman is Larne Gibson, retiring president of DCLI, who congratulates Al Wright, his successor to office



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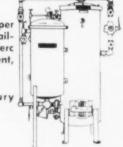
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first time such a thing has occurred, after 10 years of effort by the NID.

Mr. Johnson mentioned the National Claim Adjustment Code that will surely come about some day. This will help establish the true value of a garment for which a claim has been filed as well as help determine whose fault it is that damage occurred. Thanks to the efforts of the NID, most manufacturers today use similar test methods, which at one time ranged all over the lot.

The third day of the program the registrants were treated to two fine talks, by Jack Ireland of Caled Company, and David Wallace, president of the American Institute of Laundering. They discussed weird problems in the cleaning room and in the laundry.

A pre-exhibit banquet was held for the exhibitors by the CCLATA. Participants were thanked for their support and advised that similar shows will probably be held at intervals of four years, on the pattern followed in England.

The day before the regular meetings, the AIL held a round-table discussion at the convention headquarters in the King Edward-Sheraton Hotel in Toronto.

Eight members of the AIL board of directors discussed various subjects including the use of coupon books, how to launch new plant openings, truck operating costs, coin-operated laundries, and control of direct costs. Also discussed were control of management's time and use of weekly production and cost figures.

Participating were Arthur Gelnaw, District 11; James Foasberg, District 4; Victor Dalgoutte, former AIL president; John Slick, District 8; Kenneth Roberts, District 6; Duane Lawrence, District 5; John Monahan, District 1.

Each panel member told of his own

experiences with the various subjects assigned. Mr. Slick gave the history of the several coin-ops he opened in Fort Wayne, Indiana. There was no set formula for success. He pointed out that one of his plants was put in a lower-class neighborhood, many blocks removed from the higher-income homes. Lo and behold, the wealthy folks were driving down to the plant to take advantage of the service!

Mr. Dalgoutte told of the savings his firm realized by switching its truck equipment to the new type "compact" vans. Mileage and maintenance have been slashed in half.

In an evening session, David P. Wallace, Jr., president of the AIL, gave a talk on the NID national public relations program. He urged all plantowners to get behind the drive and to tie in with a local public relations promotion at the same time.

-Art Schuelke

#### British, Americans Exchange Visits





AIR TRAFFIC across the Atlantic this fall was particularly heavy with junketing laundrymen. Americans were flying to England and Englishmen were flying to America and in the wake of these reciprocal visits there is no doubt that closer technical and social ties have been formed between the laundry industries of both countries.

In the topmost photo is the group of American launderers and their wives shown upon their arrival at Heathrow Airport near London during the early part of October. Besides sightseeing, the laundrymen visited a number of laundries in Britain.

The "reciprocal" visit (see bottom photo) to the United States was made later in the month by this planeload of nearly 80 British launderers, shown debarking from their chartered plane at International Airport in New York City.

Led by Ancliffe Prince, editor of Power Laundry & Cleaning News, the group's main objective was the Canadian Exhibit-Show in Toronto. Preceding and following that event the group toured laundry and drycleaning plants in New York, New Jersey. Washington, Pittsburgh and Rochester, as well as NID headquarters in Silver Spring.

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Another table featured other important guests and afficials at the banquet. Shawn left to right are: Mr. and Mrs. George Isaacson; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilson; Charles Wilson; Mrs. J. M. Chisholm; David P. Wallace; Jim Chisholm; Carl S. Hulen

#### L.C.A.T.A. Draws Record Crowd

A NEW TYPE of program plus the convenient location of Washington, D. C., brought some 370 registrants to the Shoreham Hotel, October 14-17. At the overwhelming demand of the members, the previous lengthy committee reports were held to a minimum. Instead, the three divisions of the Laundry and Cleaners Allied Trades Association devoted most of their time to panel and floor discussions on problems pertinent to their businesses.

For example, the first day the supply and machinery distributors discussed a cost survey. They later explored office automation. At the same time the machinery manufacturers had a panel presentation on an evaluation of sales promotions through various media. The importance of a sound program in the business press was stressed. Members also talked about general business conditions. While these two groups met, the supply manufacturers' meeting also probed business conditions and sales promotion activities.

It was a welcome and refreshing change of pace. One afternoon was devoted to a tour of the headquarters of the National Institute of Drycleaning at Silver Spring, Maryland, to provide variety.

Even the entertainment was different. A new group called the Young Timers' Club put on a gala Gaslight Era party on the night of October 16. This organization is a take-off on the Old-Timers' Club which has been an institution of the LCATA for many years. Not to be outdone, the Old-Timers held a Get-Together Party before one of the evening dinners. Wives of members were treated to an after-

noon-long show on "Charm Tips for the Ladies."

And of course there was the annual reception and banquet the last night of the convention. It included a floor show and dancing. Two luncheous featured outstanding public speakers. The first was J. Lewis Powell, who spoke of the dynamic changes that the world is undergoing today.

If the entire history of man, Mr. Powell said, were represented in a bar chart the height of the Empire State building in New York City, a nickel on top of this chart Gwould represent the current history of mankind, during which great revolutions have taken place. That is, revolutions of science, medicine and technology. It wasn't until the late 1800's that man was able to exceed the speed of the horse. Not until the invention of the steam engine did that occur.

It is hard to believe that 90 percent of the world's scientists are still alive, but it's true, stated Mr. Powell. Going back to man's speed of travel, just a little over a year ago it was 1,600 miles an hour. Today it is possible to propel a missile 16,000 miles an hour.

The wing spread of a Boeing 707 jet airliner is longer than the distance

flown by the Wright brothers on their initial flight. One of these liners can haul more passengers across the Atlantic in one month than can the great steamship, the Queen Mary, with a capacity of some 1,500 people. The engine of Colonel Lindbergh's trans-Atlantic plane, the Spirit of St. Louis, if it were beefed up as much as possible, would barely serve as a starter for one of today's modern jet engines.

Most of the tremendous advances have been made since 1945, including atomic energy. Mr. Powell stated that it is vital for American businessmen to gear their thinking to the exploding technology with which we live. As he put it, "You have to go like the devil just to stand still today."

The next luncheon featured J. Roger Deas of American Can Company. He gave an inspiring talk on the human factors in business. In spite of great strides in industry, nothing gets done without human beings, who must be understood and appreciated by their managers and plantowners.

Other speakers included Arnold Doescher of Ernst & Ernst; S. J. Haider, and Messrs. Montgomery of Monroe Calculator and Nelson of Friden Company

The board of directors honored Nils S. Dahl, treasurer, with a fine scroll to commemorate his 25 years of outstanding service.—Art Schuelke



Here are some of officers of LCATA. Left to right are Wayne Wilson, post president; Carl S. Hulen, new president; L. S. Smith III, secretary, Not shown but reelected was Nils S. Dahl, treasurer, and Rodger Jackson, given twenty-third annual contract as managing director by board of directors

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Left: Bermuda-bound plantowners at one of business conferences held during week-long cruise. Right: Clearly enjoying the seagoing convention are, left to right, Mrs. Louis Dulberg, Louis Dulberg, West Side Corporation; Mrs. A. P. Stetser; A. P. (Pete) Stetser, sales manager, Drycleaning Division, Electrochemicals Department of Du Pont

#### East Coast Operators at Sea

OVER TWO HUNDRED plantowners, allied tradesmen and their wives enjoyed the first Eastern Seaboard conference aboard the steamship Queen of Bermuda October 17-23.

The group, organized through the joint cooperation of several state associations, enjoyed a novel fall conference: Participating were the Massachusetts Laundryowners Association, New England Linen Supply Association, New Jersey Laundry and Cleaning Institute, New York State Launderers and Cleaners Association, and Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia Laundryowners Association.

Beginning with the official reception on the first afternoon, all business sessions were held aboard the *Queen* at sea. The program committee, made up of Harold Parker, president of the Massachusetts association; Hal Marvin Marx, president of the New Jersey group; and Arch Houstle, Tri-State president, had developed a well-rounded program which offered many new ideas to go with the novel convention setting.

David Connors of John Carruthers Co., Boston, covered the subject "Cost Surveys" and discussed automation in the bookkeeping department. John Hooper of Salem Laundry, Salem, Mass., in his talk on "Why Drive In" gave the audience many tips which explained the popularity of the drive-in plant.

Henry Worcester of Morningside Laundry, Silver Spring, Maryland, explained in his talk why he has given up the conventional operation of routes in favor of "Package Stores."

Philip Lewis of Philip Lewis and Co., management consultants, and the New Jersey Laundry and Cleaning Institute, laid down for his audience the basic principles of industrial management.

In addition to the formal sessions the conventioneers also participated in round-table discussions and bull sessions which featured the following: "Impact of the National PR and PL Program"; "Sales Promotion"; "Production Techniques"; and "Office Procedures." In addition the conventioneers were treated to a visit to the ship's laundry, where they observed the techniques used by the ocean-going installation.

At Bermuda the men and their wives spent their time shopping and visiting points of local interest. # #

#### **Californians Hold Joint Meeting**

IT WAS THE FIRST time that the California Laundry & Linen Supply Association and the California Drycleaners Association ever held a combined meeting and it turned out to be some show. More than 400 plantowners met at the Thunderbird Hotel, Las Vegas, October 9-11, for an enjoyable three days of informative talks by leaders in both fields.

Principal speakers were "Bill" Boyd of Emery Industries; C. D. Baxstresser of Goss-Jewett & Co.; and Art Christopher, past president of AIL, from Vancouver, B. C. Chairmen of the meetings were George A. Nelson and John E. Brittain, association presidents.

Bill Boyd tore into those who are content to be just average. He insisted that present conditions are normal, that competition will continue to be tough, and that the emphasis should remain on sales.

 Bax Baxstresser was off and running on his favorite subject—packaging. It is his theory that service industries, as a whole, use packaging materials which are so similar that the customer sees little distinction between them. He urged the members to personalize their packaging with a trademark to make their efforts stand out.

Art Christopher gave a history of his operation and how many plants were bought in order to be able to offer a greater number of services to patrons. He opposed price cutting and felt that plantowners gave their customers the wrong impression when they offered trade stamps and other gifts to get business.—Lou Bellew



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New PADC officers (left to right): Meyer Mednick, treasurer; Sooren Perry District 1 vice-president; Peter W. Seras, president; Edmond Lavoie, District 7 vice-president; Karl Drothler, District 4 vice-president; John Glotz, District 5 vice-president, and H. A. Maggs, District 3 vice-president. Not shown are George Post and Anthony Cuda, vice-presidents, respectively, of Districts 2 and 6

## Pennsylvanians Argue Minimum Pricing

ANIMATED PRO AND CON discussion on the advisability of seeking state legislation on minimum pricing, licensing and certification highlighted the recent 48th annual convention of the Pennsylvania Association of Dyers and Cleaners.

The three-day meeting, with an allied trades exhibit featured the last day, was held on October 23-25 in Pittsburgh. More than 200 drycleaners and allied tradesmen from all parts of the Keystone State were in attend-

The proposed legislation involves establishment of minimum prices on drycleaning services in Pennsylvania, certification of employees that would require them to pass practical tests before being permitted to work in drycleaning plants, and licensing of plants based on meeting certain standards as a prerequisite to business operation. Some or all of these statutes are already in effect in various states, it was pointed out, designed to eliminate extremely low cut-rate pricing and to foster an improved public image of the drycleaning industry.

Although a preconvention mail survey showed members wanted the PADC to pursue investigation of these proposals, a six-man pro and con panel presented final arguments. Three men on the panel anticipated advantages, including elimination of unfair price juggling, uplifting employee quality, and insuring financial and business responsibility of drycleaning firms. On the other hand, the three panelists who opposed legislation of this type all felt it would be a grave error to invite further governmental controls that would endanger free enterprise and result in political shenanigans.

After Leo Shapiro, president of the Pennsylvania Laundryowners Association, presented an impartial summary of the panel's arguments, P. N. Plyar, National Institute of Drycleaning director and immediate past-president of the Alabama Iustitute of Launderers & Drycleaners, related his group's current experiences in pursuing licensing and certification legislation. Minimum pricing, apparently, was dropped for lack of support in his state legislature.

It was finally resolved, by vote of the members present, that the PADC be empowered to make a complete study of the proposed legislation during the coming year and to report its findings at its next convention.

"Never Stop Selling" was the advice offered by Tom Donohoe, NID supervisor of sales training, to keep route and counter sales personnel doing their best. Most drycleaners, he said, have come up through production and don't know enough about sales techniques. He suggested use of material like NID's sales training series while giving increased attention to working with salespeople to make them better and believe in what they're doing. The first step in selling your customers, Mr. Donohoe emphasized, is to keep your own sales personnel sold.

In discussing "How Good Are the Years Ahead?" Bill Browne, NID public relations director, suggested that the drycleaner is his own worst enemy. With a spurt in population and number of households expected during the next 10 years, plus a revival of more formal attire, drycleaning volume could reach new heights. Only thing is, more drycleaners must have pride in their businesses and their work. Because we reflect to the public what we think about ourselves. the matter of image is all-important. When the drycleaner has pride in his own work and cooperates with other cleaners for the good of the entire industry, the public's attitude toward drycleaning cannot help but improve.

The drycleaner's approach should be that he is an expert who is the customer's friend, her ally on her garment care problems. By convincing the public that drycleaning is not harmful and selling the "Dress Well" idea, drycleaners should get their share of an expanding market.

Pointing out that the average family in 1959 was spending 5712 cents per week on drycleaming compared with \$5.80 weekly on alcohol and tobacco, Victor Oakley of Victor Oakley Associates, Chicago, emphasized the need for complete industry support of the upcoming NID advertising campaign in the Saturday Evening Post. The NID, he announced, was definitely committed to going ahead with the program and desired as many drycleaners as possible to pledge their financial support. Indicating their approval, a majority of the drycleaners present filled out pledge forms on the spot.

Rounding out the meeting was the election of new officers, with Peter Seras of Carlisle succeeding Frank Filling as president.—Jerry Whitman



Panel discusses merits of legislation on minimum prices, employee certification and licensing.

Members later voted to continue investigation of this problem

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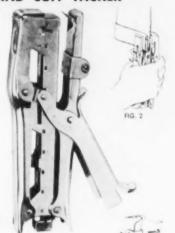
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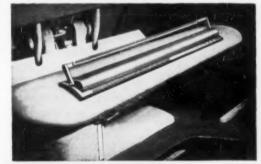
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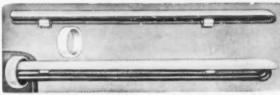
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#### DRIVE-IN BOOMS VOLUME

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cording to Dwight, is one of the best ideas in the plant.

During the plant's open house, every department was identified for the visitors with colorful signs. Going a step further-and this really impressed customers-was the posting of certificates and diplomas won by the various employees. Displayed at the workers' stations, these created much comment. One lady, the spotter, actually had diplomas from three NID correspondence courses plus two from the California Association on Textiles and Spotting. Actually, every one of the Guild Cleaners' 10 employees has completed the California Cleaners Association-sponsored textile course which is given at regular intervals throughout the state.

Colored masking tape is used by every finisher and inspector here. Three colors are used: red for spots, yellow to denote repairs, and blue for repressing. Each finisher's station boasts tape dispensers fastened at a handy spot on the speed-rail support pipes. This has greatly improved the quality of work through the plant says Mr. Alquist, and the dispensers are worth their weight in gold.

With more cleaners interested in drapery finishing, it is small wonder that more men are improvising their own holders for these items. Many plants are buying tool holders at their local hardware stores. These holders come in 12-inch sections, each having five clamps. Dwight had these sections welded together to make bars about 3 or 4 feet long with a total of 20 of the clamps. Outfitted with sash cord and pulleys so they can be raised and lowered, these make efficient drapery holders. Since each clamp can hold as many as three pleats, a front corner of the plant wall gives a capacity of 180 pleats on two of these 20-clamp sections. Best of all, they are up front where customers can see them.

#### Package labels

A great deal of effort is being exerted to make sweater and knitwear packages more personalized. At Guild Cleaners a plain white box is used, with plenty of tissue in the box. A pressuze-sensitive label, in silver with black letters, is placed on the box top at one corner. It reads "Guild Cleaners"—there is no other advertising on the box. Dwight says he got the idea from his local insurance man's use of similar labels on policies. They cost about 3 cents each in 1,000 lots, varying according to size.

The inspection station makes use of a fan of conveyor lines leading away from this spot. Garments are sorted to any one of six lines: repairs, specials, pants and shirts, skirts and coats, silks and knits, wetcleaning, and water repellent. This has eliminated much needless handling of garments.

#### **Employee comfort**

Four inches of fiber-glass insulation is used on the ceiling of the new plant, plus a white reflective paint substance sprayed over a mineral-paper roof. In addition there are five evaporative coolers on the roof to provide cool air. Four large exhaust fans aid the movement of between 6,200 and 8,500 cubic feet per minute through the plant.

Lighting fixtures offer 75 foot-candles at the working level so there is no need for individual lighting.

The boiler room on the second floor has posed no problems, since condensate can be kicked to a 25-foot height with no strain. Here the needed height is only 16 feet to the condensate tanks. The air vacuum poses no problem, either, since steel tubing is used instead of conventional pipe. With no sharp bends of conventional elbows the friction has been minimized.

#### Advertising extras

The plant's location on an alley, with the garage of the adjoining dwelling nearly out to the sidewalk on the other side, threatened to create an eyesore. But a section of extruded metal was extended out from the corner of the plant to almost obscure it. A white panel of dimple plastic 4 feet high and 8 feet long not only hides the neighbor's garage, it also provides advertising space, thanks to cut-out letters that are easily positioned.

A similar dimpled-plastic panel over the marquee is also used for specials, but mainly for humorous phrases to attract attention.

Dwight Alquist is quite happy with his dream plant, as well he should be. In fact, the improvement in the quality of work is sufficient to justify a rise in prices in the near future. It would seem that an attractive plant and excellent working conditions just naturally bring out the best efforts of an employee. They also bring in customers. # #

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#### **ASSOCIATION NOTES**



New South African Group Convenes: The third attempt to organize an association of the drycleaners and launderers of the Union of South Africa and the Rhodesias came to a successful climax September 12. That was the date of the first technical convention of the newly formed Dry Cleaning Research Institute, held in Johannesburg.

The convention, sponsored by the S. A. Laundry & Cleaning Review, drew an attendance of 150 to the

technical sessions and allied trades exhibit. In his capacity as editor and director of the *Review*, R. F. Day was active in organizing the program. Chairman of the convention was Captain G. W. T. Garrood, who is also chairman of the DCRI Advisory Board.

Other board members are Norman Greenblau, technical director; Emile A. Trueb and Robin Grey, directors; and Laurie S. Dalton, alternate.

Shown at the head table listening to the opening convention speech are, left to right: Mr. Greenblau, Mr. Trueb, Mr. Day, Captain Garrood, and speaker Yves Lederlin, counsellor to the French Ambassador.

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NIRC Theme Announced: "Catch the Spirit of Growth and Progress" will be the theme of the 1960 National Institute of Rug Cleaning Convention, it was announced by Bernard Roth, president. The convention is being held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago, January 30-February 2.

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New Regional Group: At a meeting held October 29, 25 drycleaners operating plants throughout Rhode Island announced the formation of and the receipt of a corporate charter authorizing the Perchlorethylene Odorless Dry Cleaners Association to operate as a nonprofit organization. For simplicity, the group will also be known as Per Cleaners Association.

The announced objectives include sponsoring and supporting broad programs to create better understanding of the advantages attainable through patronage of quality drycleaning, shirt laundering, fur storage and related services offered to the public through



capably managed and efficiently operated neighborhood drycleaning plants utilizing only high-quality synthetic solvents, superior supplies and related products, and equipped with new and modern machinery.

Other aims of the new organization are to promote sound, harmonious relations, and to encourage the maintenance of high ethical standards through a cooperative public relations and advertising program. Member plants will be identified by a distinctive insignia on decals for call offices, stores and routes, on all advertising and correspondence, and on lapel pins.

To insure top-quality standards in all member plants, a survey team composed of competent plantowner members and allied trades technical men will visit each member plant before acceptance into the association and on a recurring basis to constantly check and/or improve production methods and quality of work processed.

The Educational Program Committee is arranging for a series of competent speakers on all phases of the industry to address the association at regular monthly meetings.

The following temporary officers have been elected: president, Ralph Fargnoli. Specialty Cleaners, Providence; first vice-president, Robert Sorel, Bob's Cleaners, Woonsocket; second vice-president, Albert Lombardi, Luxury Cleaners, Lincoln; treasurer, Americo Volpe, Volpe Tailors, Providence; secretary, Paul Lombardi, Lion Cleansers, Providence.

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Election Returns: Officers recently elected for the Lane County (Ore.) Cleaners Association are: president, Gene Davis, Big-Y Cleaners; vicepresident, Don Sissel, Charm Cleaners: and secretary-treasurer, Jim Getchell, Club Cleaners.

The Virginia Association of Launderers and Cleaners, Inc., has elected the following officers for 1959-1960: president, E. P. Burgess; vice-president, J. E. Glover; secretary, Vincent Wheeler; and treasurer, J. A. Maddox.

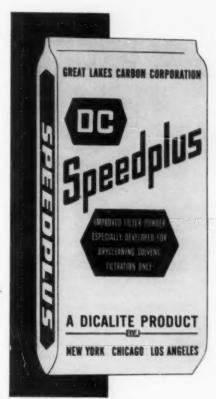
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New Jersey Clinic: The New Jersey Laundry and Cleaning Institute recently held an Educational Conference with a team of NID instructors as speakers. The one-day conference was attended by 50 operators. Featured were NID's Charles Riggott on industrial management and Thomas Donohoe on sales and sales training techniques. A special report on the forthcoming NID national advertising

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program was also presented to the group.

Dick Whalen, executive secretary of the New Jersey Institute, announced that the next educational conference in the series would be held in Newark on February 7, 1960.

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Varsity Bermuda Conference: The fifteenth Varsity International Conference of Cleaners was held at the Castle Harbour Hotel in Bermuda recently, attended by 29 members of the laundry and cleaning industry and their wives. On the agenda for the meeting were open discussions on advertising, promotion and sales, plant

improvements, production ideas, systems and economics of the drycleaning industry.

Chairman of the conference is F. M. L. Fitzwilliams of Achille Serre, Ltd., London, England. The secretary is Harry J. Plous, Spic and Span Cleaners, Milwaukee, Wis., and the treasurer John M. Weaver of Pantorium Launderers and Cleaners, Seattle, Washington,

The Varsity Conference is usually held in the town of the chairman for the year. Since Achille Serre Ltd., the only English company in the association, is this year's host, Bermuda was selected as a site on English soil but convenient to the United States.

#### Stroz Advances at Strong



JOSEPH P. STROZ

Joseph P. Stroz has been appointed chief engineer of Strong, Carlisle & Hammond, division of White Sewing Machine Corporation, Conneaut, Ohio.

Mr. Stroz attended West Virginia Wesleyan College and received his engineering degree from Stevens Institute of Technology. He has been associated with the Special Products Division of the company for the past 18 months.

As chief engineer, Mr. Stroz will be responsible for the design and development of new and improved products. His position is newly created as part of a general product diversification program.

#### Klepper Advances At Kordite



LAWRENCE P. KLEPPER

Lawrence R. Klepper, product manager for the Construction and Farm Division of The

Kordite Corporation, Macedon, N. Y., has been appointed to the new position of marketing manager, it was announced by William Dodenhoff, vice-president in charge of sales.

A graduate of Harvard College and the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. Mr. Klepper served as an Master Assets Purchased industrial planning officer in the U. S. Air Force. He had been employed in various sales capacities before joining Kordite in 1956. He established the Building and Farm Division three years ago.

In his new position, Mr. Klepper will be responsible for all sales and marketing activities of Kordite's Laundry and Dry Cleaning, Construction and Farm, and Variety Chain Divisions.

#### **Burgess Joins** Carman-Conley



ROBERT BURGESS

Robert Burgess has been appointed a sales service representative by Carman-Conley, Chicago, Ill.

The announcement of his appointment stated that Mr. Burgess has a background of more than 10 years experience in all phases of both laundry and drycleaning plant operation. He is a graduate of both the AIL and NID general courses.

Mr. Burgess will serve the Chicago area.

#### Overseas Distributor

The National Marking Machine Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, has announced the appointment of James Armstrong & Co., Ltd... London. England, as exclusive

sales agent in Great Britain and Eire

All National Marking Machine identification equipment, conveyors, supplies and spare parts are now available through the Armstrong organization.



MILTON GLAZER

A new company, Master Manufacturing Co., has pur-chased the assets of Master Manufacturing Corp., Sioux City. Iowa.

Milton Glazer, president and general manager of the new firm, announced plans to increase its line, expand sales territories and appoint new distributors.

Bob Silzer, former factory representative, has been named sales manager, and Everett Dill was appointed special sales representative

Mr. Glazer added that no basic changes will be made in the distributor or sales programs but both will be accelerated in the near future.

#### Atlas Opens Texas Lab

Atlas Powder Company, Wilmington, Del., recently dedi-cated its new Darco Experimental Laboratory in Marshall, Tex., during a week-long observance of Atlas Appreciation Days initiated by the East Texas community in honor of the company's 38 years of operation there.

During dedication ceremonies, Ralph K. Gottshall, Atlas president, said the new laboratory represents a major step forward in the company's planned growth through research.

The laboratory and simultaneous modernization program in the Marshall plant cost more than \$5,500,000 over a period of a few years. Willem J. van-Reenen is plant manager and R. B. Hoots, Jr., is manager of the laboratory.

One feature of the dedication and community tribute was a tour of the new and modernized facilities for families of employees and the general public. Newspaper promotion, speeches at service clubs in the area, window displays in the business section of Marshall, and a reception and dinner sponsored by the Marshall Chamber of Commerce were also included in the observance.

#### Carman-Mitchell-Wing Expands



Carman-Mitchell-Wing Com- known and established lines pany, Stoneham, Mass., has announced the opening of a new division. Carman Machinery division, Carman Corporation, to handle its rapidly expanding machinery and equipment sales.

manufactured in the United States and abroad.

Carman Machinery personnel shown at a meeting are, left to right: seated, John F. Collins, administrative assistant; The company handles well- Richard J. White, assistant sales Inc. Standing, Frank I. DiTucci, George Dver, sales engineer,

manager; James S. Parkhill, sales engineer; Seymour J. president; Joseph Lascari, sales Kessler, sales engineer; John manager; Bernd Walter, vice- McDonald, credit manager; president, American Permac, Robert Grant, service manager;

#### Guss Exhibits in Zagreb Trade Fair



The equipment exhibit of Juleus J. Sullivan, technical interested spectators.

Three Yugoslavian girls acted ors under the direction of similar exhibit in Poland.

Joseph Guss & Sons, Washing- representative in charge of the ton, D. C., at the recent Inter- booth. On display were a onenational Trade Fair in Zagreb, girl shirt unit, a washer, extrac-Yugoslavia, attracted crowds of tor and an instantaneous hot water heater.

The Yugoslav fair was held as interpreters and demonstrat- September 5-20, following a

#### British Group Visits Long Island Drive-In



busy inspecting a typical Amer- the street from the drive-in. ican drive-in operation-Stan's Shown during their tour of

Dry Cleaning Trade Exhibit at J. F. Edmonds; Mrs. Edmonds; Toronto, Ont., Canada. During F. A. Reynolds.

Within hours after arriving their first afternoon in in New York by chartered United States, members of the plane from England, a group charter group also inspected a of British laundrymen were coin-operated laundry across

Drive-In, Cambria Heights, the drive-in plant are, left to right: A. G. Phippen; J. H. The visitors were guests of James; Mrs. H. Wilkinson; Mr. Pan-Tex Manufacturing Corpo- Wilkinson; Stan Kleinfeld, ownration representatives while er of Stan's Drive-In; C. E. stopping over in New York en Fredette, vice-president of Panroute to the recent Laundry Tex; F. Lister; P. A. Lock;

#### SLRA Votes To Reduce Entrance Fee

interest in membership, the Copeland, 75 E. Wacker Dr., Suede and Leather Refinishers Chicago I, Ill. of America has voted to reduce the entrance fee to new members for a limited time.

The association has always had a substantial initiation fee, which, it is felt, may have been a deterrent to qualified plants, pointed regional manager for To see if this has been so, SLRA is now offering new of Baxter Industries, Inc., Stamembers who qualify for admis- ten Island, N. Y. sion an initiation fee of only one month's dues-about \$10 for a minimum-sized plant.

Plants desiring detailed infor-

In an effort to create greater mation should contact Allan I.

#### Wallerstein Advances Whalen

Vincent Whalen has been ap-Wallerstein Company, Division

Mr. Whalen has been associated with the company for the past 19 years. In his new post he will be responsible for com-

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#### Railex Sales Manager

The appointment of Ed Rubin as sales manager of the Railex Corporation, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been announced by Abe Rutkowsky, president. Mr. Rubin came to the organization in 1952 with 20 years experience in all phases of drycleaning and laundry operation and management. He will assist Railex Corporation's sales personnel throughout the country.

#### Wichita Promotes Moulthrop



E. MOULTHROP

L. E. (Monte) Moulthrop has been promoted to district manager of Wichita Precision Tool Company, Wichita, Kans., covering the area of the West founded. Coast and sections of the South and Southeast. The announce-

cleaning and laundry industries patrick, Our Man Friday, for some 30 years, Mr. Moulequipment salesman and as and technical spokesman.

pany sales in its drycleaning technical and sales advisor for department in the Pacific Coast large manufacturers, Mr. Mouland Mountain regions. His throp has also won recognition headquarters will remain in Los as the inventor of a pinless shirt folding board and a pillow ren-

#### SLRA Honors Kirkpatrick



The Suede and Leather Refinishers of America paid tribute to C. K. Kirkpatrick at a recent annual meeting in Chicago by presenting him with a polished copper plaque and a standing cheer.

The plaque, presented by outgoing president Dick Kelley. is in the form of a stretched cowhide and is inscribed: "To Kirk who founded an industry . . in grateful recognition and appreciation for his pioneering in developing methods and materials which have been responsible for the growth of the Suede and Leather Refinishing Industry.

"Also for his unselfish devotion and tireless efforts in behalf of the industry and particularly to the association which he

"We the members of the Suede and Leather Refinishers ment was made by N. C. Jack- of America, this day, August 15, son, president. 1959, sincerely dedicate this After working in the dry- heartfelt tribute to C. K. Kirk-

Mr. Kirkpatrick founded the throp rejoined Wichita in Feb- SLRA five years ago and was mary 1959 as field sales manits president for the first three ager for the company's steam-air years. He has since been an finishers. He has served as honorary member of the board

#### Stamford Chemical Holds Sales Meeting



The regular annual three-day Outing of The Stamford Chem-National Sales Conference and ical Company, Stamford, Conn., was held recently in Suffern, assistant in the chemical sales N.Y.

Among those attending were, left to right, top row: Don has been announced by Bruce Yorker, Connecticut and upper M. Bare, marketing manager. New York State; Al Bucci, Mr. Stubbe, who holds a Massachusetts and Rhode Is-bachelor's degree in agriculture Island, N. Y.: Bernard Kramer, 1954. eastern Pennsylvania; Fred Radford, Ohio and Michigan; Joe Kuplin, lower New York State and New York City; Ben King, Washington, Baltimore and New Jersey. Seated: Thomas King Soap Company, has been Murphy, field service director; elected president of the LADS' Edwin Michaels, research and Club for the coming year. development: Dr. Samuel Maglin, national sales.

#### Atlas Names Stubbe

Stubbe as industry marketing on its roster.

department of Atlas Powder Company, Wilmington, Del.,

land; Jules Frater, western from Cornell University, joined Pennsylvania; Bill Griffith, Long Atlas as a research chemist in

#### Brooks Elected by LADS

Clement S. Brooks, director D. C. Center: Leo Goullian, of industrial sales for the White

The group, which is repre-Machlis, president; Clyde Kish- sented in all parts of Southern baugh, comptroller; Rudolph California, gets its name from the first letters of Los Angeles Laundry and Drycleaning Suppliers, who make up its membership. Representatives from The appointment of Paul E. allied trades are also included

#### **NEW PRODUCTS AND LITERATURE**

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on the G single-stage, YS sin- introduced by Bass Soap Comgle-stage and YC two-stage pany compressors, write Le Roi Division, Westinghouse Air Brake box with enough supply for two

#### Gingham Gal Vendor



The Gingham Gal vending machine, designed to dispense prepackaged Gingham Gal detergent from one side and bleach from the other, has been

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For more information write Bass Soap Company, P. O. Box 432, Abilene, Tex.

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spray nozzles. The spotter is used in solution of one part Mr. Signal to four parts water. It is said to be completely safe with no fumes or odors.

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#### PEOPLE AND PLACES



interest in Lewisburg in.) Dry Cleaners from (Tenn.) Mrs. Coleman Davidson, who has operated the business since the death of her husband.

The opening of Townsend Cleaners, 135 Broad St., Ben-nettsville, S. C., has been an-nounced by brothers William Prentiss and John Fletcher Townsend.

A storage vault has been added at Parisian Cleaners, 70 ginia Dr., Orlando, Fla.

Opening of a new drycleaning establishment on Quandt St., Springdale, Ark., has been an-nounced by John David Hill, owned by C. A. Sanders and part owner and manager. Mr. H. H. Hambrick, will be housed

James Bills has purchased a and Mrs. Charles T. Bernard, co-owners, also have plants in Jonesboro. Blytheville, Para-gould and West Memphis.

> Sanitary Cleaners and Laundry is now operating in its new \$40,000 building with drive-in facilities at 1724 Drew St., Clearwater, Fla. Clara and John Hensley are the owners,

> Walter Ragsdale and Raymon Brown have purchased Benson-Ragsdale Cleaners, Albertville, Ala.

> Modern Cleaners, Eunice, La., was destroyed by fire recently.

in a newly constructed building Rd., Silver Spring, and 2486 on Governors Dr., W., Hunts-ville, Ala. Equipment from the establishment at Moulton will be moved to the new plant.

Paul Kirkpatrick is the manager of a new drycleaning estab-lishment opened recently at been installed at Osborne's Bibb and Tallapoosa Sts., Alex-Spotless Cleaners, Tallulah, La. ander City, Ala.

Construction has begun on a New drycleaning equipment new building at 133 Main St., has been installed at Broussard Daytona Beach, Fla., to house Cleaners, Jeanerette, La. Brown's Dry Cleaners.

Aftred Isaacs has purchased Nicholasville (Ky.) Cleaners, ingside Cleaning Centers has been opened at 10207 New Hampshire Ave 10207 New John Kenny. Hampshire Ave., Hillandale, Md., and will include coin-operated laundry service. Two similar installations are now in Peace St., Baleigh, N. C., has operation at 8450 Colesville added a storage vault.

Chillum Rd., Queenstown. Morningside also operates a deaning center in Four Corners and a drive-through in Silver

Valet Cleaners, 132 Bracken-ridge, Henderson, N. C., has installed a storage vault.

Bill and John Ham opened a drycleaning establishment re-cently in a new building at 117 S. College St. Ankarria



University Cleaners, 6106 High Sav - N - Takit Dry Cleaning, School Ave., Dallas, Tex., has 4301 N. Seventh Ave., Phoenix, been remodeled and is now operated by G. R. (Jerry) Har- 3638 E. Indian School. All mon. The new owner was for- Benesch is the owner of the merly a partner in Swift Laun-firm, which has three other loca-dry and Cleaning, Greenville tions.

A. and Odessa Mullins.

Bud Luftenburg, owner of Bib N Tucker Cleaners, 630 Main St., Santa Paula, Calif., has installed a complete cleaning plant.

Construction has begun at N. W. 23rd and Woodward, Oklahoma City, Okla., on a new establishment for Swiss Cleaners & Laundry.

Charles Schmidt, owner Pioneer Allen Cleaners, 600 E. 19th St., Bakersfield, Calif., has announced the opening of a branch at 1430 Crestmont St.

Mr. and Mrs. Sharon Miller Bud Coleman, operator of a have purchased Mr. and Mrs. drycleaning plant on Main near James Holt's interest in Paris Fourth, Hesperia, Calif., has Cleaners, 228 S. A. St., Santa opened a unit in the Double K Rosa, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hutton City Cleaners and Automatic Country Store Cleaners, Yorba Laundry has been established in Roaring Springs, Tex., by L. by Jim and Charlene Depew.

rne formation of Ideal Cleaners and Tailors, Inc., Elko, Nev., has been announced by John Carson, president of the corporation. His associates are Carl Pacini and S. J. Churchfield.

Dutcher Brothers Cleaners, 413 Third St., Woodland, Calif., has been remodeled, and the addition of new machinery is planned.

Miller's Cleaners has established its fourth unit, in the Stella Link Shopping Center, Houston, Tex. The firm, owned by Robert J. Miller, has other locations at 8201 La Porte Rd., 8035 Gulf Freeway and 5018 B San Felipe Rd.

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City Cleaners, 1201 Main St., Eagle Pass, Tex., has been opened by Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McMillan. The owners previously operated a drycleaning establishment in Natalia.

Carroll Berry Lord Carroll Berry Lord Carroll Berry Lord Carroll St. Zamin Carroll Berry Lord Carroll Berry Lord Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll Berry Lord Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll Berry Lord Carroll Berry Lord Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll Berry Lord Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll Berry Lord Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll St. Zamin Zamin Carroll St. Zamin Carroll

ler have announced an exten-sive remodeling program at City Cleaners, Goldthwaite,

Bell Personalized Cleaning Service, 6147 Sherry Lane in Preston Center, Dallas, Tex., has been opened by Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Bell, who oper-Dallas area. The main plant is ence Atchinson.

Ralph Sundstrom, Jr., recently opened Sun Cleaners and Laundry in the Cerritos Shop-ping Center, 10929 E. Alondra Ave., Norwalk, Calif.

Service Cleaners, 2326 N. El Dorado, Stockton, Calif., has been purchased by Paul Hanate two plants and more than son and Robert Stanberry from 50 branch outlets in the Greater Thomas B. Carroll and Flor-





the traditional ribbon which marked the opening of the new Lewandos drycleaning and laundry drive-in at 1658 Beacon St., Brookline, Mass.

Fred Rose has opened a branch of Triangle Cleaners in the Hub Shopping Center on N. Broadway, Amityville, N. Y.

General Cleaners and Dyers, Inc., located in the Holyoke Shopping Center, Holyoke, Mass., has completed extensive modernization, John Tulenko is general manager of the firm, which is owned by Alfred Mischa and David Barowsky.

Excellent Cleaners and Launderers has been opened in the Rosemore Shopping Center on County Line Rd., Hatboro, Pa.

Warsaw Dry Cleaners will be moved from its present location, 4 N. Main St., Wellsville, N. Y., to 121 S. Main St., according to a recent announcement. A mod-ernization program will include a self-service laundry.

Joseph Cardonia has opened Joe's Cleaners and Tailors, 422 W. State St., Ithaca, N. Y.

Selectman Matthew Brown cut A grand re-opening celebration was held recently at Pittsburgh Dry Cleaners and Furriers, Inc., 618 Wood St., Wilkinsburg, Pa. Roy McCullough is manager of the firm, which had been damaged by fire

Birchwood (N. Y.) Park French Dry Cleaner has been opened in the new Birchwood Shop-ping Center by Irving, Morris and Seymour Cohen.

Highland Cleaners of Lowell, Mass., has opened a branch in the new Wilmington Plaza on Route 38. Other locations are in Andover and Dracut.

A storage vault has been added at Bartoli Cleaners, 340 Mercer. Butler, Pa.

Taft Cleaners is among the tenants in the new Kendall Park Shopping Center on Route 27, corner of Allston Rd., South Brunswick, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Edelstein have completed remodeling of property on North and Wash-ington Aves. Dunellen, N. J., for the establishment of a drycleaning concern.

Continental Valet has been Robert Fighera, Jr., will manopened at 8226 Fifth Ave., age the new Bo-Peep Cleaners Brooklyn, N. Y., under the in the Doylestown (Pa.) Shopmanagement of Phil Klein, a ping Center, Route 611. Mr. graduate of the NID.

his father in the operation of Strand Valet.

finishers, Sanderson Ave. and Race St., Scranton, Pa., has opened a branch at 701 Pitts-ton Ave. The Grant Strong Ave. ton Ave. The firm is also located at 315 Spruce St., on A formal opening was held re-Lackawanna Ave. in Olyphant, cently at Sparkle Cleaners in and has a drive-in branch in Braintree, Mass.

Portage Cleaners has leased space in the new Pleasant Val-ley Shopping Center, opened recently at Frankstown Rd., Al-

Holiday Cleaners was sched-uled to be opened in the new Holiday Park Shopping Center, 361 Willis Ave., Roslyn Heights, N. Y. The firm is also located in Franklin Square.

NID, has been associated with Mass., will open a drycleaning plant in the new Dedham Plaza Shopping Center. With two others under construction, Shea Cleaners will operate 14 plants.

Property at 113 S. Easton Rd., Glenside, Pa., has been leased to Vernon Cleaners for a long Market St., Hartford, Conn.

Brentwood Cleaners, formerly located in Irvington, N. J., has been moved to 2 Orchard Rd., Maplewood.

Packer Cleaners, 153 29th St., Wheeling, W. Va., has added a storage vault.

Bill Bosson's Drive-In Dry Cleaners has been opened at Sixth and McKean Aves., Charleto, Pa.

Cadet Cleaners of Buffalo, N. Y., has announced plans to open an outlet at 2301 Pine Ave., Niagara Falls.

Orange Cleaners will occupy space in the new Levittown (N. J.) Plaza Shopping Center.

Henry J. Shea, operator of at Clarion (Pa.) Dry Cleaning Shea Cleaners of Cambridge, Co., Sixth Ave. at Liberty.



arines, Ont., has announced the ors has opened a branch in the opening of a branch on Creek Dalfen Shopping Arcade on Road, Virgil.

Dorval Ave., Dorval, Que.

Jolicoeur's, drycleaners of Mon- Bill's Cleaner & Tailor has treal, Que., has opened a unit been opened in the Gregory in the Bockland Shopping Cen-Block, Provost, Alta.

Rite Way Cleaners, Main St., Fort Garry, A sixth plant is E., Huntsville, Ont., has been planned for location in the Polo revamped and modernized. Park Shopping Centre,

York Dry Cleaners, St. Cath- Bellingham Cleaners and Tail-

A new building for Top Tone Nettoyeurs Elite Inc., was Cleaners is to be constructed on opened recently on St. Viateur Elizabeth Ave., St. John's, Nfld. St., St. Eustache, Que.

Wright-Way Cleaners Ltd., Mrs. H. Boman, who formerly 1480 Second Ave., Prince owned Spie and Span Cleaners George, B. C., has completed in Grandview, B. C., has a large remodeling and expan-opened Hilda's Cleaners, 648 Kingsway in Highland.

An application from Norman Perth's, drycleaners of Winnipeg. Man., has opened a new drive-in at the corner of Pembina Highway and Waterford in has been approved.



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Hoffer's Cleaners in Maple Creek, Sask., owned by Jake age vault.



Three Oaks (Mich.) Dry Cleaners, formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ignasiak, is now operated by Ken Kalis.

Garden Drive-In Cleaners, 95th and Clifton Park, Evergreen Park, Ill., held a grand opening celebration recently. Owners of the firm are Nicholas and Tom Zaglifa, Constantine Kotselas and Chris and Evans Pappas.

Armen Cleaners, 630 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor, Mich., has opened a new \$30,000 plant in remodeled quarters at 1100 Broadway. The firm also has outlets at 510 E. William St., 619 Packard St. and 2310 W Stadium Blvd.

Mid-Columbia Dry Cleaners, Kingsley, Iowa, owned by Bus-ter Logan, has installed new finishing equipment.

A storage vault has been added at Nu Glo Cleaners, 2501 Sheridan Rd. Zion, Ill.

Sherrill and Frances Mattingly have taken over active manage-ment of Marchal Cleaners, Traverse City, Mich. Joe and Leona Marchal will continue their interest but will not be active in its operation.

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ment in Geneva.

The grand opening celebration of Elite Drive-In Cleaners and of Ente Drive-in Cleaners and Launderers, 3101 Minnehaha Ave., Minneapolis, Minn., fea-tured a display of antique cars and old-time lanterns.

Seeley Cleaners, 1014 Lapeer Ave., Port Huron, Mich., re-cently celebrated its seventyfourth year with complete remodeling and addition of drive-

Olson Cleaners, 230 E. State St., Jacksonville, Ill., has added a storage vault.

Verne Plassman, owner of drycleaning plants in Marshall and Albion, Mich., has opened a similar establishment on Bacon St. in Hillsdale.

Ann Padget Cleaners has moved into a new building at 2300 W. Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor, Mich. Owners of the Goldman.

Joseph Uniian has been granted approval for establishment of a drycleaning concern at 25706 Schoolcraft, Detroit, Mich.

Eugene Kraft, owner of Kraft Kleaners, Kingsley, Iowa, has announced plans to erect a new building at his present location. A self-service laundry will be included in the expansion pro-

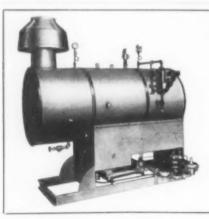
Normal Cleaners and Laundries, 11001 Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill., has opened a branch in Oak Lawn.

Szyperski has taken George over Slabic Cleaners, Pincon-ning, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Slabic, former owners, plan to retire.

Morrell's Cleaners has con-Morrell's Cleaners has constructed an addition to its present establishment at 222 Dundee Ave., Elgin, Ill. The firm has other locations in Bloomington and Glen Ellyn.

A storage vault has been added at Hargrave Cleaners, Monticello, Iowa.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Linhart have announced plans to open a drycleaning plant plus a coin-operated laundry in a newly remodeled building on Canyon Rd., Beaverton, Ore.

The grand opening of Thrift-D-Lux Cleaners, 907 Smelter Ave., Great Falls, Mont., was recently held by Edward T. Tysko. His wife and son, Edward J., will continue to operate his establishment in Kalispell.

A storage vault has been added at Spokanite Cleaners, 718 W. Garland Ave., Spokane, Wash.

Art Weinkauf, owner of Cottage Grove (Ore.) Dry Clean-ers, has purchased property in Drain for the establishment of a coin-operated laundry.

L. P. Gardner has announced J. N. and Faith Harding have discontinued operation of Palace Cleaners, Scio, Ore.

the grand opening of Glo Cleaners in its modern new headquarters, 15th Ave., N. W., and Market St., Ballard, Wash.

> Bob Orndorff has leased and is managing Divine Soda Springs, Idaho.

#### OBITUARIES

Thomas J. Brownrigg, 81, last survivor of the original founders of Southern Service Co., Ltd., Pomona, California, died on October 19 in Pasadena. A native of Saginaw, Michigan, Mr. Brownrigg came to California in 1910. He was a past president of the California Laundry and Dry Cleaners Association, the Pomona Rotary Club, a member of San Diego Elks Lodge 168, and a director of the Los Angeles County Fair Association since 1945. Surviving are his wife and two daughters.

Charles Edward Cate, 52, owner and operator of Port City Dry Cleaners, Charleston, South Carolina, died re-

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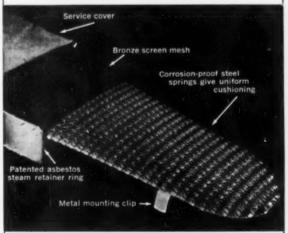
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Paul M. Lattner, 87, honorary chairman of the board of directors of P. M. Lattner Mfg. Company, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, died on October 8. He and his twin brother, Joseph, founded a boiler manufacturing company in 1920. In 1926 Paul Lattner and his son, Bud, continued with the company under its present name when Joseph Lattner and his son. Jack, started the Century Engineering Company, Paul Lattner retired from the boiler firm in 1942.

Frank Schweis, 79, owner of a drycleaning establishment in Louisville, Illinois, died recently, Mr. Schweis had operated the firm for forty years and retired eight years ago. Surviving is his daughter.

Theodore William Vanderhoof, 31, operator of Fremont Cleaners and Dyers, Niles, California, died recently, Mr. Vanderhoof is survived by his wife and three children.

Michael Yachnewych, 57, owner of Elite Cleaners and Dyers Ltd., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, died recently. Mr. Yachnewych had been a partner in the business since 1943 and in 1957 became sole owner. Surviving are his wife, two sons and a daughter.

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February 6 and 7-New Jersey Laundry and Cleaning Institute, Essex House, Newark.

February 6 and 7-Utah State Cleaners Association, Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City.

February 12, 13 and 14-Iowa-Nebraska Drycleaners Associations, Omaha.

February 22 and 23-National Institute of Drycleaning, Chicago.

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#### Teen-Market Program

To the Editor:

Your story in the September issue about the program of the Mohawk Valley Chapter of NCA in the high schools was most interesting and, in my case, a timely one. After reading several articles recently on our booming and ever-enlarging teen market, I have been trying to put together some ideas for a program which would appeal to the home economics department of a high school near my plant.

I will appreciate very much knowing more about the promotional materials used by the NCA group.

It is also time that I told you that you and your staff should be complimented on your editorial program. For a number of years I have saved copies of the leading trade journals of our industry and within the past year I have removed those articles which I want to keep for reference. And when the clipping was over, there were more articles from NCD than from any other paper. Surprised?

BURRILL O. GOTTRY Kansas City, Mo.

To the Editor:

You made the comment in the last issue that it made good sense to volunteer educational material to home economics classes of the high schools. Can you tell us where such material would be available?

Mrs. J. A. Griffith Griffith Cleaners La Junta, Colo.

To the Editor:

Please send us more information on the text sources and promotional material used by the Mohawk Valley chapter of the N.C.A.

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To the Editor:

I'm writing in regard to an article "How To Develop Tomorrow's Market Today" as published in a recent copy of your magazine.

The article suggests contacting you for further information on the promotional materials used by the Mohawk Valley Chapter of the NCA.

I am very much interested in the details of this program and its application in our high schools, and will appreciate any help you can give me in acquiring the necessary information.

Mrs. Donald L. Brown One Hour Martinizing Frankfort, Ind.

To the Editor:

The September issue of NATIONAL CLEANER & DYER carried an article on page 64, "How To Develop Tomorrow's Market Today."

There were two booklets mentioned that I would appreciate your helping me to obtain: (1) Fabrics Today and Drycleaning; (2) How To Buy and Care for Clothes.

C. W. Rader Denney Dry Cleaners Canton, Ill.

The booklets mentioned are available from Neighborhood Cleaners Association, 116 E. 27th St., New York 16, N. Y. Also suggest "Focus on Fabrics," published by National Institute of Drycleaning, Silver Spring, Md. Educational kits are also available from several allied trades firms.

-EDITOR

#### **Drycleaners and Politics**

To the Editor:

As I read your editorial, "Business and Politics" [October 1959], I could not help but recall an experience which taught me where politics begin. It is in the grass roots down at the precinct and ward level.

So few people participate in politics at these real low levels, those who wish to manipulate politics find the going real easy here. It is down at this level where selections are made for primaries.

After the selections are made for the primaries, about all the electorate can do is to pick out the man they think is best out of the lot. In many instances, the best out of the lot is none too good.

Based upon the little experience I have had, politics is mostly a feast and a famine. Just prior to an election, the "heat" is applied to get a lot of activ-

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National Cleaner & Dyer 466 Lexington Avenue New York 17, N. Y. ity. After the election is over, there seem to be no projects the political clubs can "sink their teeth into," so political activity goes to sleep, becomes monotonous, and people lose interest.

Unfortunately, politics lives off of taxes. The hardest thing in the world to get started at the lower levels is an appraisal of taxes so as to determine what is necessary and unnecessary. Those who make a living out of politics realize they live out of the tax-payer's pocketbook, and it seems as though they are always trying to find justifiable reasons for dipping further into that pocketbook. Very seldom do you ever hear anything about relinquishing a tax or discontinuing a political office once it has been established

So, it looks to me as if drycleaners, as businessmen, might help the situation in a twofold manner.

 To participate in politics at the precinct and ward level with the idea of working toward getting better men into political office.

2. To participate in business organizations and work to stimulate studies and discussions (public) so as to make the general public conscious of taxes with ways and means to get them modified and made more realistic.

NOEL L. COOPERIDER Butler Manufacturing Company Kansas City, Mo.

To the Editor:

I am pleased with and appreciate your editorial comment on page 26 [October 1959]. Between all of us trying hard we possibly can get our friends in our industry stirred up and active on this all-important matter. We have already drifted a long, long way toward a labor-socialist government in America, but the outcome of the Landrum-Griffin "Labor Reform" Bill in Congress last month goes to show conclusively that our representatives will actually pay serious attention to the voice of the conservative wing-when they hear it. The great trouble has been that they just did not hear itovery much in the past, as compared to the stentorian bellows they were hearing from the laborliberal wing.

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